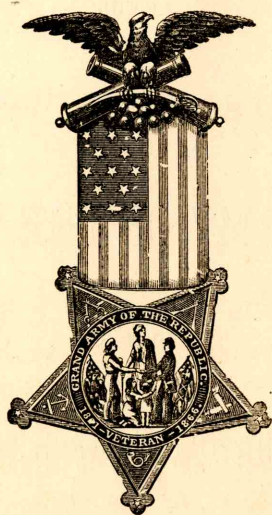


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GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MARCH 28, 1883.

The Encampment met at the Park Theater, pursuant to paragraph 1, General Order No. 13, of date March 14, 1883, Department Commander, Jas R. Carnahan, presiding.

The following comrades answered to their names at the call of the roll of delegates and ex-officio members:

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J. E. Haskell.

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\*Horace R. Allen.

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\*P. P. C., Leroy M. Mains.

\*P. P. C., John A. Rose.

\*P. C., John A. Goodale.

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ALTERNATES.

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ALTERNATES.

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\*P. P. C., P. Zinn.

\*P. C., W. S. Freeman.

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\*Wm. Snyder.

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P. C., C. E. Whitsett.

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\*A. D. Vanarsdell.

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John Hamil.

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\*John J. Hays.

## ALTERNATES.

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\*Will Warren.

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## ALTERNATES.

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P. C., Milton Garigus.

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\*O. A. Somers.

T. M. Kirkpatrick.

\*O. L. Moulder.

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\*H. H. Sellers.

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\*P. C., Patrick Ballard.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

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\*W. F. Lytle.

\*Lew Gross.

\*J. L. Morrow.

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\*P. P. C., Henry C. Harris.

\*P. C., James L. Anderson.

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ALTERNATES.

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J. P. Freeman.

\*Geo. W. Crabb.

\*Geo. W. Swadley.

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P. C., Jas. B. Plessmyer.

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ALTERNATES.

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\*Geo. W. Louis.

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ALTERNATES.

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ALTERNATES.

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 W. S. Prather.

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## DELEGATES.

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## ALTERNATES.

\*O. C. Gordon.

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 \*P. C., J. M. Sullins.

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## ALTERNATES.

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P. C., Jesse Neff.

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D. C. Scull.  
J. M. Cauger.

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\*LaFayette Coomer.

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P. C., Stephen D. Sayles.

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ALTERNATES.

\*Wm. H. Ward.

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**Post 103—Wm. Smith. Sheridan.**

P. C., A. Alcon.

DELEGATES.

A. Alcon.

ALTERNATES

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ALTERNATES.

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\*P. C., Cornelius Hurly.

DELEGATES.

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**Post 107—John A. Hendricks. Jinestown.**

Not represented.

**Post 108—Francis D. Mathews. Ellettsville.**

P. C., P. T. Mathews.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

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\*F. M. Stephenson.

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**Post 110—Hathaway. Rolling Prairie.**

\*P. C., A. B. Austin.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

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\*J. F. M. Floyd.

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\*P. C., D. M. Grams.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

\*Theodore F. Clark.

\*Joseph G. Wright.

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P. C., Timothy Scott.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

R. C. Forr.

\*W. W. Robbins.

**Post 113—Gus. Abbett. Waymansville.**

\*P. C., Herman VonStrohe.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

\*Herman VonStrohe.

\*B. Sutherland.

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P. C., Nate. C. Welsh.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

J. B. Dodge.

\*John A. Runyan.

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\*P. C., John W. Griffith.

DELEGATES.

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\*D. A. White.

**Post 116. Andrews.**

\*P. P. C., L. Long.

\*P. C., Harry H. Miller.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

Wm. Bowen.

\*David K. Brown.

M. Schwartz.

\*Geo. Plaster.

**Post 117—Cathcart. Bristol.**

\*P. C., James S. Dodge.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

Cyrus F. Mosier.

\*Darwin H. Johnson.

**Post 118. Boylston.**

Not represented.

**Post 119—Geo. W. Rader. Middletown.**

P. C., J. A. Young.

DELEGATES.

\*Fred. Tykle.

ALTERNATES.

\*Abram B. Hopper.

**Post 120—Masters. Booneville.**

P. C., G. L. Masters.

DELEGATES.

Moses Shaul.

ALTERNATES.

\*Thos. J. Dowd.

**Post 121—C. L. Guild. Medaryville.**

Not represented.

**Post 122—Gen'l Reynolds. Middlefork.**

\*P. C., Lewis Sims.

DELEGATES.

Michael Younkin.

ALTERNATES.

\*Karl Reif.

**Post 123—Spencer. Rockport.**

P. C., James C. Veatch.

DELEGATES.

\*Jos. D. Armstrong.

ALTERNATES.

\*John H. Huffinan.

**Post 124—John Murray. Pierceton.**

\*P. C., John Moore.

DELEGATES.

\*F. H. Foster.

\*Wm. F. Eddy.

ALTERNATES.

**Post 125—Stansbury. Ligonier.**

DELEGATES.

\*Wm. G. Gardner.

\*Jasper N. Ohlwine.

ALTERNATES.

**Post 126. Connersville.**

\*P. C., J. A. Dunn.

**Post 127—Wadsworth. Franklin.**

P. C., G. M. Overstreet.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

J. M. Storey.

\*Chas. Day.

**Post 128—Houghton. Mishawaka.**

P. C., J. A. Roper.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

E. A. Jernagan.

\*E. V. Bingham.

**Post 129. Dublin.**

Not represented.

**Post 130—W. A. Adams. Spearsville.**

P. C., Samuel Webber.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

Austin F. Stockwell.

\*Robert Mitchell.

**Post 131—Henry C. Coulter. Russiaville.**

Not represented.

**Post 132. Argos**

P. C., W. H. Whiten.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

S. J. Holley.

**Post 133—Look-Out. Noblesville.**

P. C., James H. Harris.



DELEGATES.	ALTERNATES.
Frank A. Hawkins.	*John M. Gray.

**Post 134. Sardinia.**

Not represented.

**Post 135—English. Ormas.**

Not represented.

**Post 136. Houston.**

P. C., D. J. Cummings.

DELEGATES.	ALTERNATES.
*R. M. Cross.	*Alex. M. Nilson.
*—Thompson.	

**Post 137—Jas. R. Slack. Huntington.**

P. C., Sextus H. Shearer.

DELEGATES.	ALTERNATES.
*Cyrus E. Bryant.	
H. J. Hilligas.	

**Post 138—S. C. Aldrich. Hudson.**

Not represented.

**Post 139—Armer Reed. Folsomville.**

\*P. C., J. Hart.

DELEGATES.	ALTERNATES.
*C. Kelley.	*J. A. Reed.

**Post 140. New Corner.**

P. C., E. H. Case.

**Post 141—Chas. Tyler. Walcottsville.**

Not represented.

**Post 142—Silas Davis. Burlington.**

Not represented.

**Post 143. Boxleytown.**

\*P. C., Wesley Jessup.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

\*J. W. Fancher.

\*Hiram Greyson.

**Post 144—John Carnes. Blair.**

P. C., J. D. Leighty.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

\*Geo. Murphy.

**Post 145—Lot Bloomfield. Hammond.**

P. C., J. D. Vandewalker.

**Post 146. Jackson.**

Not represented.

**Post 147. LaPorte.**

P. C., Dewitt C. McCollum.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

Geo. C. Dorland.

\*S. M. Closser.

**Post 148—Geo. W. Leonard. New Castle.**

\*P. C., Geo. W. Cain.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

Owen Evans.

**Post 149. Carbon.**

P. C., E. S. Rosser.

**Post 150. Angola.**

Not represented.

**Post 151. Churubusco.**

P. C., George H. Johnston.

DELEGATES.

ALTERNATES.

Franklin P. Loudon.

\*Ira King.

**Post 152—Dela Hunt. Cannelton.**

Not represented.

**Post 153. Freetown.**

Not represented.

**Post 154. Portland.**

P. C., J. P. C. Shank.

\* Absent.

The following Committee on Credentials was then appointed:

Comrades Thomas Hanna, Post 11; R. S. Robertson, Post 40, and W. H. Armstrong, Post 1.

The Department Commander appointed the following Committee to Escort Commander-in-Chief Paul Vandervoort, to the Hall:

Comrades John Coburn, Post 17; Senior Vice Commander, Edwin Nicar, Post 8, and J. A. Gurley, Post 10.



Upon their return the Commander-in-Chief was formally presented to the Encampment.

Department Commander Carnahan then presented the following report:

**Report of Department Commander.**

*Officers and Members of the Department Encampment of Indiana, Grand Army of the Republic:*

COMRADES, ALL: It is with feelings of very great pleasure that I greet you as we, at the close of another year's work, assemble in this, our annual Department Encampment. The year that has just passed has been to me, as your Department Commander, full of the most genuine pleasure in the many renewals of former comradeships that were born and had their full growth in the days of our army life, and were welded in the fierce heat of battle, and made sacred beside the narrow graves of comrades whose latest breath and act was that of fraternity for the comrades about them, and a loyalty that gave the hero's life for our flag and country. Many, very many happy associations have been revived as I have gathered with you at your peaceful camp-fires in different parts of this Department, and to the well-known comrades of other days, and to those whose faces were new to me, but whose hearts throb so warmly and generously towards all who bear the name and wear the badge of the Grand Army of the Republic, I here most heartily thank you all for the warm greetings you have given me, and the cordial support and aid you have extended in the good work that has been accomplished during this year of service as your Commander.

In closing my term of office I feel like saying "thank God and the Comrades, the Department of Indiana,



Grand Army of the Republic, is no longer an experiment, or a struggle for an existence, but a glorious and assured success." The Grand Army of the Republic has come into Indiana to stay so long as there shall be left an honorably discharged Union soldier within our borders.

I am glad that I can say, comrades, that the

#### **Growth of the Order**

in Indiana during the year has been such as to place our Department along side of other Departments that are much older, and that have prided themselves as standing at, or near, the head of the Order. Another year's active, systematic work will give the Department a place in the National Encampment equal to the oldest and best Department now represented in that body. This I believe will be done, and my successor, whoever he may be, will, with the hearty support that I now bespeak for him, and which I know and am sure he will receive, see a Post of the G. A. R. established in every county seat and town of Indiana.

When I took command of this Department, on the 22d day of February, 1882, there were Posts numbered up to forty-six. Three out of that number were defunct. We had an aggregate membership, as shown by the Assistant Adjutant General's report, at the last annual Encampment, of 2,050 members. We now have Posts numbered to 155. Two of the Posts that were defunct have had the "breath of life" once more breathed into them, and 6,088 comrades now gather about the bright lights of one hundred and fifty-four peaceful camp fires, living over the scenes and strengthening the ties which bound comrades to one another when "Fraternity in

deed, if not in word, marked everywhere the true soldier." To-day I have received an application for the organization of Post 156.

In the beginning of my administration I was met with the charge that the Grand Army was a political organization, or would be used as a means for bolstering up or pulling down some political party or political aspirant. This charge, I believe, has been fully answered, and we have shown that in the Grand Army of the Republic now, as it was at the beginning of the war and all through it, we have broken "asunder the ties of party" and we are gathering into our Post rooms and into a renewed comradeship men of all political parties, and as Grand Army men, know nothing save Fraternity as the "broad foundation-stone" on which our Order rests; a "Charity that can sympathize with disabled comrades, or the families of those of our fallen comrades who need the liberal hand," and a Loyalty to one another and our common country that has become the keystone to the great archway binding and locking together our greatest of all brotherhoods. And in this connection, comrades, let me urge upon you, and I feel that I can not do so in language too strong, the importance of keeping all questions of even the slightest political tendencies out of your Post rooms. Be as strong partisans as you please outside of all and every Grand Army matter, but in all that affects your relations with our Order say to every politician, and to every man who attempts to use the name of the Grand Army for any political purpose whatever, "hands off;" and say it, too, in words and tones that can not fail to be understood by all the world. There is no half way ground in this matter; not only must your lines be kept closed up against this



one common enemy of all societies, but your out-posts must be thoroughly entrenched and fortified against any and all advances of this, the very greatest foe our Order has ever had. Comrades, I do not want to know the politics of any comrade of the Grand Army, so far as our associations in the Order are concerned, and I will go still further and say, that if there is any man living to-day that has a right to his honest political convictions, either as to men or parties, it is the man who proved his loyalty to the flag and the country, through battles lost and battles won, and you nor I, nor the whole world, has a right to try to bind or restrain him in that right, and the man who seeks to do it through any society, be it either the Grand Army or any other, though perhaps a seeming success may attend the effort for a time, it will soon prove to be utter ruin and disaster to the Order and to the man or set of men who propose such unholy measures. I believe one great cause of the success of this Department, during the past year, was the fact that it was seen that, although there was a strong political contest during a great portion of the year, yet the Grand Army, like others of the best societies, took no part in that contest. Let us, then, strictly, in letter and spirit, carry out that portion of our Rules and Regulations that provides that "No officer or comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic shall, in any manner, use this organization for partisan purposes, and no discussion of partisan questions shall be permitted at any of its meetings, nor shall any nomination for political office be made."

For the full statistical statement of our growth in numbers, I call your attention to the very complete report and exhibits made by Comrade Ben D. House, As-

sistant Adjutant General of this Department. In addition to the Posts established, this Department organized four Posts in the State of Tennessee, three of which I organized in person. These Posts have now been organized into a Provisional Department by themselves, and the good work, I believe, will go on in that State, and new Posts will be organized within sight of and on the very ground on which so many of our brave comrades gave up their lives for the Union.

#### **Department Finances.**

Not only does it afford me pleasure to note the numerical growth in the Department, it is also a very great pleasure to state that, financially, the Department of Indiana is not in want. The management of the Quartermaster's department has been in most thoroughly honest and efficient hands. On taking command of this Department I determined that the financial affairs should be so managed that there would be not only no useless expenditures, but that whatever was expended should be done in such a systematic manner that with vouchers to show for every item of expense, and a complete and itemized statement of every cent received, that any and all of the comrades could see and understand our financial condition, and having seen it would know of a certainty that everything had been done well and faithfully. I can say truthfully that, while others may be just as honest and systematic, no one could have performed the duty better than Comrade Garrett H. Shover, Department Quartermaster. Ever courteous and obliging, always prompt and faithful in the discharge of his duties, as I have found at all times, I feel that I made no mistake in his appointment on my staff to the very responsible position which he has filled so honestly and well.



I take especial pleasure in calling your attention to his report and the exhibits filed therewith. During two years service as Inspector General of the Grand Army I had occasion to examine and inspect the various ways and systems in which Department accounts and records were kept, and from these I selected a system of books for the Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster, which, to me, seemed the most complete, and caused to be made a set for this Department. These books show a complete record of the different Posts, their organization and their account with the Department; the receipt of all moneys and from what source, and for what such moneys were received. These books have met with the hearty approval of your Council of Administration, and they are open to the inspection of all the comrades of this Department who may desire to see them. The preparation of these books has been no small task, from the fact that there had been, previous to their preparation, no systematic course adopted or used. Credit is due to the Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster of the Department for putting your records and accounts into such excellent shape. In view of the fact that the work that has devolved on Comrade Shover as Department Quartermaster, requiring, as it did, a great deal of his time from his other business, and the further fact that he has been compelled to employ assistance, I think this Encampment should make an appropriation to meet this expense and reimburse Comrade Shover to some extent, at least, that will reimburse him for the outlay and his time.

As appears by the reports of the Department Quartermaster, the present administration has received in gross the sum of \$6,604.41.

There has been expended in settlement of accounts and in the printing of the reports of this Department, previous to this administration, the sum of \$430.76.

In the purchase of supplies for the Department since February, 1882, the sum of \$3,147.79.

For other necessary expenses during the year, \$1,158.58.

There is remaining in the hands of the Quartermaster, cash, \$1,663.12.

Supplies and property of the Department, cost value, \$594.60.

Making a total value, money on hand and cost valuation of property on hand, \$2,257.72.

#### **Recommendation 1.**

As shown by the above financial statement, I believe that the Department may be managed successfully for the coming year with a less per capita tax than was thought to be necessary at the commencement of the present year. The Rules and Regulations prescribe that at the Annual Department Encampment, the per capita tax for the ensuing year shall be assessed. I would, therefore, recommend that the per capita tax be reduced from ten cents per quarter, as assessed at the last Annual Encampment, so that for the ensuing year it shall not exceed eight cents per quarter. This, I think, can be safely done.

#### **Recommendation 2.**

In regard to the question of per capita tax, I wish to recommend one thing further: It is well known to all that our comrades along the Ohio river have suffered intensely from the terribly disastrous floods that prevailed

on our border during the month of February just passed. This flood came with fearfully disastrous effect to all in that locality, and to none with more hardship than to our comrades. In many instances, all of the property that had been saved up from all the years of toil since their return from the army, was swept away, and life's battle will have to be begun anew. In view of this fact, I would recommend that the per capita tax to be levied for the ensuing year, shall not apply to the Posts at Aurora, Rising Sun, Lawrenceburg, Madison, Jeffersonville and the other Posts so affected by the recent flood, and that for the ensuing year no per capita tax shall be required of or collected from them. I think the Department can well afford to do this.

In connection with this subject concerning our comrades in the flooded districts, the latter part of the past week I received a letter from Comrade J. A. Joel, of New York, stating that in response to a call made by him in the *Grand Army Gazette*, he is now receiving substantial contributions for the comrades along our borders who have suffered from the floods, and stating that he would soon forward to me the money donated for their relief. I know that the great majority of our comrades in this Department are in very moderate circumstances, yet, if all of the Posts in this Department would contribute something from their store to aid these, our suffering comrades, it would be to them a great blessing, received with thankful hearts, and would bind us all stronger together in sympathy one for the other, and so bless him that receives and doubly bless him that gives.

#### **State Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument.**

At the last annual meeting of this Department a resolution was adopted favoring the erection of a Soldiers'



and Sailors' Monument, to the memory and in honor of the brave men of this State who gave their lives for the preservation of the Nation. It was then unanimously recommended to the various Posts throughout the State to inaugurate measures to collect contributions for this purpose. The attention of the Posts was called to this matter in a circular by the Department Commander, under date of March 17, 1882. The Council of Administration deemed it advisable to take the matter in hand and put it in shape. This they did, as has also been made known to the Department, in General Order No. 6, from these headquarters. The Council of Administration believed, as do I, that if anything ever is done in this direction, it must be commenced and directed by the survivors of the late war. Unless it is commenced in this way, it never will be done. The plan was to issue membership certificates at a cost of only one dollar each, so that the membership fee would be within the reach of all, and when the sum of fifteen thousand or twenty thousand dollars should be raised, as it could and should be, then to ask the State to appropriate a like amount for the work. Certificates were prepared, and a sample sent to each Post, asking the Post to take the matter in hand and solicit contributions. Up to this time but one Post has responded.

Comrades, will you not, on your return to your Posts, take this matter up and push this good work forward? It is a shame and disgrace to the State of Indiana that there has been no State monument erected in honor of the men of this State who offered and freely gave their lives for the life of the Nation. In the State of New York I have seen a soldiers' monument which bore upon it the names of Indiana soldiers, side by side with some of



the brave men of the Empire State. Shall New York, alone, honor the memory of the Indiana soldiers? Nay, comrades, shall not we, also, here at home, the State where they were born, and on the soil where their martial tread was first heard, do our part toward perpetuating their memory and the history of their heroic deeds? Let us, then, lay aside all local prejudice and go to work in this matter with such earnestness that, before many months shall have passed, we shall have erected a monument worthy the memory of our brave comrades.

#### Post Work.

From visitations in many of the different Posts of this Department, I find that there has not been enough attention paid to the study and exemplification of the ritualistic work of the Order. Post officers should give this work more study and master it in all its details. The ritualistic ceremonies are not lengthy nor tedious, and when properly conducted in the muster-in ceremonies, add very materially to the interest of the Post, and produce a lasting and pleasing effect on all who are brought into our Order. It has been impossible, of course, for me to visit all the Posts, and in mentioning any particular Post, I do not wish to be understood as saying that they are the only Posts that do the work well. I trust there are many, very many more, that do the work equally as well. Of the Posts that I have visited that have made themselves proficient in this work, I think that George H. Thomas Post 17, Auten Post 8, Sion S. Bass Post 40, LaFayette Post 3, are especially worthy of mention, and they are no better than all others might be who will give the matter the same care and study that these Posts have done. For the good of

all concerned, I would recommend that whenever the opportunity is offered, visitations be made to these Posts.

#### **Post Visitations.**

I would recommend that Posts exchange visits with one another. If you are so situated, as most of the Posts are, along the lines of railroads, so that your Post can go as a body, or in considerable numbers, go and visit the Posts that are located about you. If it is a new Post that is visited by an older one, it will encourage and strengthen the new Post, and if it is a young Post that shall visit the older one, it will be a pleasure to the older one, and at the same time a means of instruction to the younger Post.

In addition to all this, it promotes and strengthens that kind and fraternal spirit and comradeship that should ever characterize us.

#### **The National Encampment, 1883.**

I wish to call attention to the meeting of the National Encampment at Denver, Col., in July next. The meeting will be a very important one, and extensive preparations are being made by the comrades in the West to make it an exceedingly pleasant one. It is important that every department should be fully represented. This Department, in addition to the Department Commander and Past Department Commanders, will be entitled to six delegates. These delegates must be chosen at this Encampment. The distance to be traveled is great, and the expense will, although reduced rates are promised, be considerable, yet I trust this Department will not only have its full number of delegates, but a large number in addition thereto. But this Encampment should have the positive pledge of every comrade before

his election as a delegate, that if elected, he will, unless Providentially hindered, certainly attend.

#### **Visit of the Commander-in-Chief.**

In November last I received a communication from Comrade Paul VanDervoort, Commander-in-Chief, stating that if it met with my approval, he would make an official visitation to this Department.

As Commander of the Department, I was glad to welcome Comrade VanDervoort, not alone because he was Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, but on personal grounds I was especially glad when the opportunity came for me to say to him, "come," and to bid him welcome to the Department of Indiana on his arrival. Knowing the Commander-in-Chief as well as I did, I was fully satisfied that his visit would be of very great profit to the Department. Together we visited the Posts at Richmond, Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, South Bend, LaFayette, Madison, Evansville and Greensburg, at which points public camp fires were held, and at which a large number of Posts of the Department were assembled. I am satisfied that his visit to the Department was of very great benefit to the Order. No one can be brought in contact with Comrade VanDervoort's energy and zeal in Grand Army work without, to a greater or less degree, partaking of it. And I am glad that to-day I have had the pleasure of greeting him and introducing him to this Encampment.

#### **Our Dead.**

Comrades, through the year just past some of our comrades have answered "here" to the call of the Supreme Commander, and have passed from *our* ranks here



below, and have joined the ranks of the Grand Army on high.

“Above death’s clouds they strive  
“A *chosen corps* they are marching on in brighter fields than ours :  
Those bright battalions still fulfill  
The schemes of the heavenly powers,  
And high, brave thoughts float down to us,  
—The echoes of that far-off fight—  
Like the flash of a distant picket’s gun  
Through shades of a hovering night.”

“No fear for them : in our lower field  
Let us toil with arms unstained,  
That at last we be worthy to stand with them  
In the shining heights they’ve gained.  
We shall meet and greet in closing ranks  
In Time’s declining Sun,  
When the bugles of God shall sound retreat  
And the battle of life be won.”

To-day let us bow in submission to the will of Him who rules and reigns supreme, the Great God who guides and controls the destinies of armies, but with all this, remember the heroic deeds of Chapman, and Simpson, and Cruft, and their brave associates on many hard fought fields. Their lives as soldiers were types of heroism that was patriotic, and a patriotism that was heroic. So shall we ever remember them, and tell the history of their deeds to those who shall come after us.

To these, our former comrades, we can only say:

“Rest on, embalmed and sainted dead,  
Dear as the blood ye gave!  
No impious footsteps here shall tread  
The herbage of your grave;  
Nor shall your glory be forgot  
While Fame her record keeps,  
Or Honor points the hallow’d spot  
Where valor proudly sleeps.”



**Thanks.**

I would not be just to myself nor the comrades of this Department, if I did not, in an especial manner, thank the comrades for the valuable assistance I have received on every hand during my administration. It is because I have received such cordial support, and active and energetic aid from so many of the comrades, that this Department has been so successful during the past year. The comrades, as a rule, have made a hearty and willing response to every call I have made on them to aid in the organization of new Posts.

Senior Vice Commander Nicar, Junior Vice Commander Rosencranz, Department Inspector Wooden, Chief Mustering Officers Robertson and Shaw, Comrades Keller and Merhoff, of Post 27; Comrade Stanley, of Post 30; Comrades Wiles and J. Dawson Smith, of Post 25; Comrade D. Agnew, of Post 16; Comrade Winkler, of Post 13; Comrade Paul Hendricks, of Post 26; Comrade Foster and the officers of Sion S. Bass Post 40; Comrade Girly, of Post 10; Comrade Trout, of Denver Post 66; Comrades Spahr, Stokes, David and others, of Geo. H. Thomas Post 17; Comrade Stoy, of Post 44; Comrade Southard, of Post 48; Comrade Iliff, of Post 55; Comrade Watt, of Post 30, all of whom have been ready to answer any call I have made upon them.

To each member of the Council of Administration I feel especially grateful in that they, and each of them, have given me, without stint, their most hearty and sincere co-operation in the good work of the year. I feel that we have been brought together in sympathy and feeling, with but one thought, how best to promote the growth of this Department.

In Comrade Ben D. House, Assistant Adjutant General, I have found a soldier who has at all times, when able for duty, performed his work with a never flagging interest and zeal. He brought to the duties of his office a thorough knowledge of all its details, and though his work has been, at times, very hard, and always requiring attention, he has never permitted any of it to be neglected; ever courteous toward all who had business with the Department, and in all things connected with the Adjutant General's office, so complete has been his work, and so thoroughly systematic, that his successor will find the work comparatively easy.

Before this Encampment, and to this Department, I wish here, in unqualified terms, to express my thanks to Comrade Ben D. House for his services. To him, personally, has already gone my warmest and most sincere friendship, and though our paths may separate in official relations, I trust that, as comrades, our "lines" may be within "supporting distance" through the remainder of life's "battles," and though, at times, we may feel the "shock" and "charge," each on his own battle line, we may and shall ever know that each is in sympathy one with the other, and when the last battle has been fought, we together shall, side by side, answer the "assembly" call for the great and final review.

In conclusion, comrades, I trust that the meeting of this Encampment may be one of pleasure to each and all of you, that nought but Fraternity shall characterize every word and act; a Charity that is the evidence of the love one comrade should bear towards another, and a Loyalty to the Grand Army of the Republic that shall cause each to vie one with the other as to which shall

work with the strongest and truest efforts for its upbuilding in this Department and the National Encampment.

Fraternally in F., C. and L.,

JAMES R. CARNAHAN,

*Commander Dep't Ind., G. A. R.*

Note. Since the meeting of the Encampment, the Department Commander has received the following letter, which explains itself:

OFFICE OF THE GRAND ARMY GAZETTE  
AND NATIONAL GUARDSMAN,

NEW YORK, MARCH 30, 1883.

JAMES R. CARNAHAN, ESQ.,

*Department Commander G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: Your favor received. We are disappointed in not being able to send you some substantial aid with this, but \$25.00 is all we have received so far, and that from one Post, viz.: Koltes 32, of this city. This amount we have sent to the Post at Ironton, Ohio, they being the first Post we heard from. We are in hopes to hear further from our appeal, and if we do, shall send it at once to you. Information comes to us, that as a result of our appeal, that relief is being sent direct to the Departments of Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, so we feel repaid for anything we may have done in this direction.

Respectfully yours in F., C. and L.,

J. A. JOEL.



### Report of Assistant Adjutant General.

The following report was submitted by the Assistant Adjutant General as a synopsis of the business transacted by his office since the meeting of the last Encampment:

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.  
OFFICE OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL,  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MARCH 27, 1883.

JAMES R. CARNAHAN,

*Department Commander :*

SIR AND COMRADE: I have the honor to submit herewith a synopsis of the business transacted through the office of the Assistant General of this Department of the Grand Army of the Republic since the meeting of the last Encampment, on the 22d day of February, 1882.

One hundred and nine (109) Posts have been organized, numbering from Post 47 to Post 155, inclusive. The names, location, date of muster, and by whom mustered, will be found fully set forth in abstract "A." In addition to the above named, the defunct Posts at Shelbyville and Princeton, numbering 18 and 28, respectively, have been reorganized. Since the issuance of General Order No. 13, date of March 14, 1883, Posts have been established at Freetown, Jackson county, Portland, Jay county and Selvin, Warrick county, numbering, respectively, from 153 to 155, inclusive.

By extract from General Order No. 17, Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, of date June 6, 1882, the Posts in Kentucky, theretofore under this command, were transferred to the provisional Department of Kentucky.

By paragraph IV, General Order No 8, Headquarters



Grand Army of the Republic, of date February 16, 1883, the Tennessee Posts, four in number, organized by this Department, and up to that time under its command, were transferred to the Department of Kentucky.

The importance of promptitude in the matter of forwarding reports does not seem to have been duly impressed upon the minds of many Post officers during the past year. This fact causes delay on the part of the Assistant Adjutant General in forwarding his quarterly reports to National Headquarters, and this, doubtless, has its influence in the rating of this Department as to efficiency, discipline, etc. In this connection it has been necessary to insert a ¶ in nearly every Order, relative to the subject and with little apparent effect.

Evidence is not wanting, either that the U. S. mails are strangely remiss, or that due care is not taken of blanks forwarded, as frequent calls are made for those which have been specifically sent, entailing no small expense of an unnecessary character in the matter of postage.

Since the last Encampment, record books have been prepared for the purpose of the transcription of Post returns in detail, and the consolidated report of the Assistant Adjutant General, also a record of Posts, date of muster, location, by whom organized, etc.

The correspondence of the year has been quite extensive, not only in ordinary routine business, but in answering inquiries from abroad, and in relation to the establishment of new Posts. That portion of the correspondence pertaining legitimately to the working of the Department will be found properly briefed and filed.

Thirteen General Orders and one circular have been issued from the office of the Assistant Adjutant General.

The delay in publishing the journal of the three previous Encampment proceedings was caused by the fact that it was found impossible to sooner get together what appears in the pamphlet as published, it being, at best, incomplete.

I regret to be compelled to report an omission in the report of the Department Inspector for the year 1881-2, which occurred as follows: The copy was returned to me with the statement that it would be necessary to rewrite the recapitulation. This was done, and in putting in type, only that rewritten was set. As I employed a proof-reader (at my own expense) to read by copy, I did not notice the omission until the final issuance of the reports. As the document in question was most complete and thorough, I would recommend that my successor be directed to correct, by publishing an "*addendum*," covering this point, in the journal next issued. It will be remembered that a portion of the expense of the publication of this journal is properly chargeable to former administrations, and such will be found set forth in abstract "A 1."

By direction of the Council of Administration, at a meeting held the 6th of August, 1882, a Committee was constituted, named in General Order No. 6, of date August 10, 1882, for the purpose of furthering the end of the erection of a State Soldiers' Monument. This committee ordered the preparation of Certificates of Membership to the Soldiers' Monumental Association, the same to be signed by the Department Commander and countersigned by the Assistant Adjutant General. These certificates were prepared, and specimens sent to all the Posts in existence at that time, and Post Commanders urged to take an interest in the matter. Nothing, however, has been



heard from it, save from Geo. H. Thomas Post, of Indianapolis, to the members of which quite a number have been issued. There are in the Assistant Adjutant General's office about two thousand five hundred of these certificates ready for use.

The financial transactions of the Department with the Monumental Association will be found set forth in detail in abstract "B."

Thirty-three dispensations have been granted upon recommendation of Post Commanders, in accordance with provisions of paragraph 3, section II, chapter II, Rules and Regulations.

Notwithstanding repeated instructions that all funds should be made payable to the Assistant Quartermaster General, but transmitted through the Assistant Adjutant General, but a portion of the remittances, for any purpose, have been so sent. I would recommend that Quartermasters' blank requisitions be put upon the list of free blanks, their expense being inconsequential, and that no order for supplies be filled, except upon such blank, properly filled.

The amount, in No. and value, at cost price, and character of blanks, books, etc., on hand, in the Assistant Adjutant General's office, will be found set forth in detail in abstract "C."

Twenty-four deaths have been reported to the office of the Assistant Adjutant General, as having occurred as set forth by Post and name in abstract "D."

I have carried to the Dead Roll the names of two comrades not reported in this connection: Those of John D. Simpson, of Post 26, and Charles Cruft, of Post 1, who have died since the fourth quarterly report of those Posts were rendered.

The receipts of the Department, from all sources, have been \$6,604.41.

Expenditures, \$4,941.29.

Cash on hand.....	\$1,663.12
Supplies, Badges, etc.....	261.80
Supplies, Blanks, etc.....	129.15
Balance due from National Headquarters.....	2.25
Postage Stamps.....	1.80
Due from Monumental Association.....	199.60
Total Assets.....	\$2,257.72

The expenses of the Assistant Adjutant General's office will be found detailed in abstracts "E," "F." Owing to your courtesy in the matter of office room, the Department has been at no expense for rent.

The numerical strength of the Department, at the end of each quarter, and as compared to the same quarter of the previous year, will be found set forth in detail in abstract "G."



## Abstract A.

## New Posts Organized.

No. Post.	NAME OF POST.	LOCATION.	DATE OF ORGANIZATION	BY WHOM MUSTERED.	NEAREST RAILWAY.
47	Kenesaw.....	Independence.....	.....	.....	Wabash. C., I., St. L. & C.
48	Chicamanga.....	Kirklin.....	.....	.....	C., I., St. L. & C.
49	Shiloh.....	Newport.....	.....	.....	I., B. & W.
50	Pratt.....	Galveston.....	March 3, '82..	Josiah Stanley.....	P., C. & St. L.
51	Tippecanoe.....	Monticello.....	March 31, '82..	J. M. Watts.....	L., N.A. & C. C., I., St. L. & C.
52	Waterloo.....	Waterloo.....	March 31, '82..	C. S. Stoy.....	Wabash.
53	Jackson.....	Idaville.....	April 5, '82..	J. H. Gould.....	P., C. & St. L.
54	.....	Attica.....	.....	Jas. R. Carnahan..	Wabash. C., I., St. L. & C.
55	Sol. Meredith.....	Richmond.....	March 29, '82..	Geo. H. Poinier....	P., C. & St. L.
56	W. B. Reyburn.....	Pern.....	.....	Jas. R. Carnahan..	Wabash.
57	.....	Goodland.....	April 8, '82..	J. B. Shaw.....	C., I., St. L. & C.
58	Kirkpatrick.....	Harmony.....	April 11, '82..	W. D. McCullough	Vandalia.
59	Somers.....	Xenia.....	April 12, '82..	J. C. Nottingham..	Wabash.
60	Nelson Trusler.....	Winchester.....	April 15, '82..	Jas. Patchell.....	C., C., C. & I.
61	.....	Elwood.....	May 5, '82..	J. B. Shaw.....	L. E. & W. C., C., C. & I.
62	Bryant.....	Williamsport.....	April 29, '82..	J. B. Shaw.....	Wabash. C., I., St. L. & C.
63	Sam. Henry.....	Decatur.....	May 12, '82..	R. S. Robertson....	Wabash.

## New Posts Organized—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME OF POST.	LOCATION.	DATE OF ORGANIZATION	BY WHOM MUSTERED.	NEAREST RAILWAY.
64	Hackleman.....	Brookville.....	April 18, '82..	J. L. Wooden.....	C., H. & I.
65	Stone River.....	Frankfort .....	May 9, '82..	Jas. E. Southard...	C., I., St. L. & C., Vandalia.
66	Jeremiah Bromer.....	Denver .....	May 5, '82..	J. B. Shaw.....	Wabash.
67	DeLong.....	Auburn .....	May 8, '82..	C. S. Stoy.....	Wabash.
68	Shively .....	Huntingsburg ..	June 12, '82..	A. C. Rosencranz...	E. & T. Vandalia.
69	Nelson.....	Kendallville .....	June 1, '82..	C. S. Stoy.....	Wabash
70	Broos.....	Indianapolis.....	July, '82..	Jas. R. Carnahan...	.....
71	Chas. Wait.....	Macy .....	June 6, '82..	W. M. Trout .....	Wabash.
72	Garber.....	Washington .....	May 25, '82..	David Agnew.....	O. & M. J., M. & I.
73	Abram D. Shutz.....	Windsor .....	May 29, '82..	A. O. Marsh.....	C., C., C. & I.
74	Elsworth.....	Remington .....	June 29, '82..	P. M. Wiles.....	C., I., St. L. & C.
75	David K. Stover.....	Harlan .....	June 12, '82..	R. S. Robertson....	Wabash.
76	Henry S. Lane.....	Francisville.....	June 27, '82..	J. B. Shaw.....	L., N. A. & C. C., I., St. L. & C.
77	Henry M. Blackenship.	Martinsville .....	June 14, '82..	Jas. R. Carnahan...	I. & V.
78	Williams .....	Muncie.....	June 20, '82..	P. M. Wiles.....	C., C., C. & I.
79	Capt. Conover.....	Harveysburg .....	June 29, '82..	J. A. Gurley.....	I., B. & W.
80	.....	Mount Vernon...	July 14, '82..	A. C. Rosencranz...	E. & T. H. Vandalia.
81	.....	Rushville.....	July 19, '82..	J. L. Wooden.....	C., H. & I.

82	John H. Platter.....	Aurora .....	Aug.	9, '82..	Jas. R. Carnahan...	C., I., St. L. & C.	O. & M.
83	John P. Porter.....	Geneva.....	July	24, '82..	R. S. Robertson....	Wabash.	
84	.....	Rensselaer .....	July	15, '82..	J. B. Shaw.....	L., N.A. & C.	C., I., St. L. & C.
85	.....	Bloomington .....	July	18, '82..	Jas. R. Carnahan...	L., N.A. & C.	Vandalia.
86	.....	Jeffersonville.....	July	26, '82..	Jas. R. Carnahan...	J., M., & I.	
87	.....	Salem .....	.....	.....	Jas. R. Carnahan...	L., N. A. & C.	Vandalia.
88	Richard Spottswood....	Perryville .....	Aug.	4, '82..	W. C. Eichelberger	I., B. & W.	
89	Huff.....	Lawrenceburg....	Aug.	10, '82..	J. L. Wooden.....	C., I., St. L. & C.	
90	Chas. M. Howell.....	Goshen .....	Aug.	16, '82..	R. S. Robertson....	C., W. & M.	
91	.....	Worthington.....	Sept.	6, '82..	D. Agnew.....	I. & V.	
92	Sam'l H. Dunbar.....	Greenfield.....	Aug.	24, '82..	J. L. McMasters...	P., C. & St. L.	
93	.....	Spencer.....	Aug.	16, '82..	David Agnew.....	I. & V.	
93	Ben. North.....	Rising Sun.....	Aug.	30, '82..	J. L. Wooden.....	C., I., St. L. & C.	
95	McClung. ....	Rochester .....	Aug.	21, '82..	W. M. Trout.....	Wabash.	
96	.....	Portersville.....	.....	.....	.....	E. & T. H.	Vandalia.
97	Joe Hooker.....	Scireville .....	Aug.	28, '82..	Jas. E. Southard...	C., I., St. L. & C.	
98	Chas. C. Wheeler.....	Versailles .....	.....	.....	J. D. Simpson.....	O. & M.	J., M. & I.
99	John Coons.....	Lovely Dale.....	.....	.....	.....	I. & V.	
100	Wm Jones .....	Gentryville.....	Sept.	27, '82..	A. C. Rosencranz...	E. & T. H.	Vandalia.
101	Girard.....	Monon.....	Sept.	16, '82..	John C. Brown.....	L., N.A. & C.	C., I., St. L. & C.
102	McHolland.....	Kentland .....	Sept.	14, '82..	P. M. Wiles.....	C., I., St. L. & C.	



## New Posts Organized—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME OF POST.	LOCATION.	DATE OF ORGANIZATION	BY WHOM MUSTERED.	NEAREST RAILWAY.
103	Wm. Smith.....	Sheridan.....	Oct. 5, '82..	B. F. Roberts.....	Wabash.
104	J. H. Danseur.....	LaGrange .....	Nov. 3, '82..	J. W. Miller.....	Wabash.
105	VanBuren .....	Pike's Peak .....	Oct. 16, '82..	W. H. Winkler.....	I. & V.
106	.....	Valparaiso.....	Oct. 24, '82..	Jas. R. Carnahan...	L., N.A. & C. C., I., St. L. & C.
107	John A. Hendricks.....	Jinestown .....	Oct. 26, '82..	Paul Hendricks.....	J., M. & I.
108	Francis D. Mathews .....	Ellettsville.....	Oct. 19, '82..	John M. Buskirk...	L., N.A. & C. Vandalia.
109	Chas. W. Heath.....	East Enterprise..	Oct. 26, '82..	John D. Simpson...	O. & M. C., I., St. L. & C.
110	Hathaway.....	Rolling Prairie..	Nov. 11, '82..	Edwin Nicar .....	L., N.A. & C. C., I., St. L. & C.
111	.....	Moreco .....	Oct. 30, '82..	P. M. Wiles.....	C., I., St. L. & C.
112	John M. Wilson.....	Bunker Hill.....	Nov. 1, '82..	Josiah Stanley.....	Wabash.
113	Gus. Abbett.....	Waymansville ..	Nov. 16, '82..	W. M. Winkler.....	J., M. & I.
114	Kosciusko .....	Warsaw .....	Nov. 11, '82..	R. S. Robertson....	C., W. & M.
115	.....	New Carlisle....	Nov. 18, '82..	Edwin Nicar.....	L., N.A. & C. C., I., St. L. & C.
116	.....	Andrews .....	Nov. 22, '82..	R. S. Robertson....	Wabash.
117	Cathcart.....	Bristol .....	Dec. 2, '82..	P. Solomon.....	C., W. & M.
118	.....	Boylston .....	Nov. 25, '82..	J. E. Southard.....	C., I., St. L. & C.
119	Geo. W. Rader.....	Middletown.....	Dec. 12, '82..	J. P. Iliff.....	P., C. & St. L.



120	Masters.....	Booneville .....	Dec.	8, '82..	Chas. H. Myerhoff	E. & T. H.	Vandalia
121	C. L. Guild.....	Medaryville .....	Jan.	1, '83..	M. M. Gordon.....	L., N. A. & C.	C. I., St. L. & C.
122	Gen'l Reynolds.....	Middlefork .....	Jan.	1, '83..	Josiah Stanley.....	C., I., St. L. & C.	
123	Spencer .....	Rockport .....	Dec.	23, '82..	Chas. H. Myerhoff	E. & T. H.	Vandalia.
124	John Murray.....	Piercetown .....	Dec.	28, '82..	R. S. Robertson.....	C., W. & M.	
125	Stansbury.....	Ligonier.....	Dec.	30, '82..	W. H. Merritt.....	Wabash.	
126	.....	Connorsville .....	.....	.....	J. P. Iliff .....	C., H. & I.	
127	Wadsworth .....	Franklin .....	Dec.	29, '82..	Jas. R. Carnahan..	J., M. & I.	
128	Houghton .....	Mishawaka.....	Feb.	3, '83..	Edwin Nicar.....	C., W. & M.	C., C., C. & I.
129	.....	Dublin.....	Jan.	19, '83..	J. P. Iliff .....	P., C. & St. L.	
130	W. A. Adams.....	Spearsville.....	March	21, '83..	W. C. David.....	I. & V.	
131	Henry C. Coulter.....	Russiaville.....	Feb.	14, '83..	Josiah Stanley.....	Wabash.	
132	.....	Argos .....	Feb.	2, '83..	W. M. Trout.....	Wabash.	
133	Look-Out.....	Noblesville.....	Feb.	10, '83..	Jas. R. Carnahan..	Wabash.	
134	.....	Sardinia .....	March	19, '83..	J. L. Wooden.....	C., I., St. L. & C.	
135	English .....	Ormas .....	Feb.	10, '83..	J. L. Dunning.....	Wabash.	
136	.....	Houston .....	Feb.	21, '83..	J. A. Goodale.....	J., M. & I.	
137	Jas. R. Slack.....	Huntington .....	Feb.	1, '83..	Jas. R. Carnahan..	Wabash.	
138	S. C. Aldrich.....	Hudson .....	March	3, '83..	F. M. Vedder.....	Wabash.	
139	Arner Reed.....	Folsomville.....	Feb.	22, '83..	A. C. Rosencranz...	E. & T. H.	Vandalia.
140	.....	New Corner.....	March	21, '83..	J. Stokes.....	C., C., C. & I.	

## New Posts Organized—Continued.

No. Post.	NAME OF POST.	LOCATION.	DATE OF ORGANIZATION	BY WHOM MUSTERED.	NEAREST RAILWAY.
141	Chas. Tyler.....	Wolcottsville.....	Feb. 21, '83..	F. M. Vedder.....	Wabash.
142	Silas Davis.....	Burlington.....	Feb. 24, '83..	Josiah Stanley....	Wabash. C., I., St. L. & C.
143	.....	Eoxleytown .....	Feb. 21, '83..	Allen Alcon.....	Wabash.
144	John Carnes.....	Blair .....	Feb. 26, '83..	C. S. Stoy.....	Wabash.
145	Lot Bloomfield.....	Hammond .....	March 12, '83..	W. E. Brown.....	C., I., St. L. & C.
146	.....	Jackson .....	March 16, '83..	Josiah Stanley....	Wabash.
147	.....	LaPorte .....	.....	.....	Wabash.
148	Geo. W. Leonard.....	New Castle.....	March 15, '83..	J. P. Iliff.....	I., B. & W.
149	.....	Carbon .....	.....	J. F. Fee.....	I. & St. L. or Vandalia.
150	.....	Angola .....	.....	.....	Wabash.
151	.....	Churubusco.....	March 21, '83..	Jas. R. Carnahan..	Wabash.
152	Dela Hunt.....	Cannelton .....	March 17, '83..	W. H. Keller.....	J., M. & I.
153	.....	Freetown .....	.....	D. J. Cummings...	J., M. & I.
154	.....	Portland .....	March 23, '83..	J. P. Iliff.....	C., C., C. & I.
155	.....	Selvin .....	.....	.....	.....

**Posts Re-Organized.**

No. Post.	NAME OF POST.	LOCATION.	DATE OF ORGANIZATION	BY WHOM MUSTERED.	NEAREST RAILWAY.
18	.....	Shelbyville .....	July 28, '82..	J. L. Wooden.....	C., I., St. L. & C.
28	Archer.....	Princeton.....	Jan. 13, '83..	A. C. Roseneranz...	E., T. H. & V.



## Abstract A 1.

## Expenditures on Account of or by authority of former Administration.

	Voucher.	
Balance on supply account, 1881.....	1	\$20 38
Balance of per capita tax, for first quarter, 1881.....		5 00
Per capita tax for second quarter, \$13.80; third quarter, \$16.63; fourth quarter, \$20.50, 1881.....	2	50 93
Bill of Indianapolis Journal Company, for printing and stationery, dated December 1, 1881.....	3	39 20
Bill of Indianapolis Journal Company, for printing and stationery, dated February 20, 1882.....	4	5 75
Ben D. House, Assistant Adjutant General, by vote of Encampment, February 22, 1882.....	5	200 00
G. H. Shover, traveling expense to Terre Haute.....	6	4 30
Wm. H. Armstrong, for services as Inspector General.....	7	2 75
John G. Greenewalt, and other expenses as Assistant Inspector.....	8	8 90
Expressage from S. E. Armstrong, on money, 75c.; electro- types, 25c. and supplies, \$1.25.....	9	2 25
Jos Ratti, printing proceedings for 1879, 22 pages; 1880, 25 pages; 1881, 38 pages.....	10	91 30
Total.....		430 76

## Abstract B.

**Expenditures on Account of Monumental Association.**

(See Voucher No. 81, Exhibit No. 10).

	Voucher	
Oct. 2, 1882. Two hundred rolls \$8.00, and four boxes Gilt Seals, \$1.60.....	81	\$9 60
Feb. 27, 1883. Engraving and printing Certificates.....	92	250 00
For postage.....	93	5 00
Total .....	.....	264 60

Abstract C.  
Supplies on hand.

No.	ARTICLES.	COST VALUE.
6	Sets Post Outfits .....	\$16 18
4	Sets Rituals .....	2 00
33	Ritual Sheets.....	
16	Senior Vice Commander's Cards.....	
16	Junior Vice Commander's Cards.....	
8	Chaplain's Cards.....	
9	Service Books.....	2 25
43	Manuals.....	4 30
58	Rules and Regulations.....	2 40
4	Descriptive Books.....	3 00
3	Medical Descriptive Books.....	1 05
288	Leaves of Absence.....	8 47
297	Transfers .....	8 81
413	Discharges.....	12 31
8	Charters.....	2 00
143	Applications for Charter.....	1 43
100	Scrolls.....	4 00
273	Quartermaster's Receipt Books.....	47 83
875	Quartermaster's Bonds.....	5 00
603	Membership Applications.....	4 30
264	Requisitions.....	1 82
400	Odes.....	2 00
342	Form "A." .....	
518	Form "B." .....	
38	Form "C." .....	
25	Form "D." .....	
25	Form "E." .....	
128	Form "H." .....	
		<hr/> \$129 15



Abstract D.  
"Mustered-Out."

No. Post.	NAME OF POST.	NAME OF COMRADE.
1	Morton .....	Samuel B. Archer.
2	General Canby .....	Wm. Landis.
3	LaFayette .....	John Baker.
5	Pap Thomas.....	John O. Rihner.
7	McPherson .....	S. H. Black.
7	McPherson .....	Wm. H. Ryker.
9	General Steele.....	John Lodge.
10	Captain Floyd.....	Nelson Royse..
14	Logansport .....	John Stanford.
17	Geo. H. Thomas .....	Geo. H. Chapman.
17	Geo. H. Thomas .....	A. Single.
17	Geo. H. Thomas .....	Wm. H. Wainright.
22	Eugene.....	John W. Craig.
25	Benton.....	P. D. Corkins.
26	A. E. Bachman.....	John D. Simpson.*
27	Farragut .....	Samuel E. Smith.
27	Farragut .....	Eli Overlin.
35	Robt. J. Templeton.....	Perry L. Cuppy.
36	McKeen.....	Winthrop Jordan.
37	Elmer.....	Geo. L. Thorp.
40	Sion S. Bass .....	Fred. C. Myers.
44	Meade.....	Josiah Uhrim.
58	Kirkpatrick.....	Thomas Cowey.
60	Nelson Trusler.....	Jas. W. Pottle.
1	Morton .....	Chas. Cruft.†
1	George H. Thomas .....	John W. Austen.‡

\*Past Post Commander (not officially reported).

†Not officially reported.

‡Nashville, Tennessee.

## Abstract E.

**Expenditures of Assistant Adjutant General's Office.**

(See Voucher No. 65, Exhibit No. 9).

	VOUCHER.	
Record Books of Lilly & Seibert, July 20, 1882.....	65	\$14 50
Department Seal from E. H. Stegman.....	78	15 00
Autograph from H. C. Chandler.....	79	1 75
Randall & Fish, bill for printing, dated April 3, '82...	80	3 50
Journal Co., bill for printing and stationery, dated January 30, '83.....	81	77 40
Journal Co., bill for printing and stationery, dated March 22.....	82	10 50
Printing certificates for reduced fare for Encampment	83	2 10
Engrossing charters to R. Hedges, August, 19, '82.....	84	5 00
Engrossing charters to J. P. Patterson, Oct. 3, \$3.50; Nov. 25, \$4.50; Jan. 12, \$5.00; March 19, \$3.50	85	16 50
Ben D. House, salary as A. A. G. from Feb. 22 to Oct. 22, '82, 7 months, at \$21.00.....	86	147 00
Ben D. House, salary as A. A. G. from Sept. 22 to Nov. 22.....	.....	77 62
Ben D. House, salary as A. A. G. from Nov. 22 to March 22.....	.....	166 64
Ben D. House, salary as A. A. G. to March 28, '82...	.....	10 00
Postage and telegrams during the year ending March 25, '83.....	27	52 26
		<u>\$599 82</u>

Abstract F.  
Sundry Expenditures.

		VOUCHER	
1882.			
June 29...	Traveling and hotel expenses of Council of Administration .....	84	\$56 70
Aug. 8....	Traveling and hotel expenses of Council of Administration .....	85	16 60
1883.			
Feb. 13....	Traveling and hotel expenses of Council of Administration .....	86	32 25
1882.			
May 18....	Guards for Encampment .....	87	16 00
Aug. 8....	Expenses of Gen. J. R. Carnahan to Lawrenceburg .....	88	2 00
Dec. 2.....	Expenses of entertaining Gens. VanDervoort and Pease:		
	Hotel.....\$12.75	88 }	17 75
	Hack..... 5.00	89 }	
Dec. 5.....	Expense of visiting tour of Gens. VanDervort and Carnahan.....	90	38 00
1883.			
Feb. 2.....	Expense of Gen. Carnahan to Huntington...	91	6 00
March 14	Expense of Assistant Mustering Officer J. Stanley to Macy.....	92	5 00
	Postage used by Department Commander....	93	2 50
	Per capita tax to National Headquarters:		
	First Quarter.....\$24.25	94 }	
	Second Quarter ..... 36.50	95 }	155 20
	Third Quarter..... 43.65	96 }	
	Fourth Quarter, 1882..... 50.80	97 }	
	Telegrams for Department Commander.....	98	2 00
			\$350 00



## Abstract G.

		No. of Posts.	No. of Members, Last Report.	GAIN.			Total Gain.	Aggregate.	LOSS.				Total Loss.	No. Remaining in Good Standing.
				By Muster.	By Transfer.	By Reinstatement.			By Death.	By Hon. Discharge.	By Transfer.	Suspended.		
First quarter.....	1881.....	22	1,102	22	1	18	41	1,143	3	2	2	88	95	1,047
First quarter.....	1882.....	43	2,299	243	1	13	257	2,550	7	.....	8	26	41	2,509
First quarter.....	Increased...	21	1,197	221	.....	.....	216	1,047	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,362
Second quarter.....	1881.....	27	1,447	398	3	16	417	1,454	9	6	.....	103	118	1,336
Second quarter.....	1882.....	77	2,509	900	4	29	933	3,442	4	4	19	91	118	3,560
Second quarter.....	Increased...	50	1,062	502	.....	.....	516	1,988	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,224
Third quarter.....	1881.....	31	1,136	351	2	40	393	1,229	2	.....	1	14	17	1,712
Third quarter.....	1882.....	100	3,560	983	3	52	1,038	4,598	6	9	11	19	145	4,453
Third quarter.....	Increased...	69	2,224	632	.....	.....	645	2,869	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,742

Fourth quarter....	1881 .....	39	1,712	717	3	8	728	2,240	4	1	4	132	141	2,299
Fourth quarter....	1882 .....	125	4,453	1,124	7	86	1,217	5,670	10	8	12	227	257	5,413
Fourth quarter....	Increased ...	86	2,742	307	.....	.....	479	3,430	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,104
First quarter*.....	1883 .....	153	5,413	675	.....	.....	675	6,088	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,088

\*Estimated from Muster Roll and Applications on File.

In closing my labors, permit me to say, that in all my correspondence with comrades, I have met nothing short of true comradeship. In both my personal and official relations with the Department officers and members of the staff, I have formed friendships supplemental to those previously existing toil-wrought links, lap-welded in the fires of war, which would have been cheaply purchased by many times the labor I have been called upon to perform in the discharge of my official duties.

My especial thanks are due to Comrade Conrad Gehring, of Post 17, for many acts of kindness and valuable assistance.

To yourself, personally, my thanks are due, and heartily tendered, for your uniform kindness and forbearance in sickness and health.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

BEN D. HOUSE,

*Assistant Adjutant General.*

Assistant Quartermaster General G. H. Shover submitted the following report:

### **Report of Assistant Quartermaster General.**

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MARCH 27, 1883.

JAS. R. CARNAHAN,

*Department Commander:*

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith a report of the business of the office of the Assistant Quartermaster General of this Department Grand Army of the



Republic since the meeting of the last Department Encampment, February 22, 1882.

Cash turned over by Assistant Adjutant General..	\$114 87	
Money borrowed from bank to take out C. O. D. package from express office before money was received from Retiring Assistant Quarter- master General.....	75 00	
Cash received from retiring Assistant Quarter- master General.....	565 20	
Received from Charter fees.....	1,080 00	
Received from per capita tax.....	1,409 65	
Received from sale of blanks.....	119 16	
Received from sale of badges.....	3,175 53	
Received from Monumental Association.....	65 00	
		<u>\$6,604 41</u>

#### Disbursements.

Loan Repaid (referred to above).....	\$75 00	
On account of former administration.....	430 76	
Post outfits, books, blanks, etc. (see Exhibit 1)...	631 62	
Badges and Quartermaster's supplies (see Ex- hibit 2).....	2,501 67	
Assistant Quartermaster General's office (see Ex- hibit 3).....	87 82	
Assistant Adjutant General's office.....	599 82	
Incidental expenses.....	350 00	
Monumental fund.....	264 60	
		<u>\$4,941 29</u>

#### Summary.

Total receipts.....	\$6,604 41
Total disbursements.....	<u>4,941 29</u>
Cash on hand.....	\$1,663 12

**Supplies on Hand.**

(Exhibit 4.)

Badges, etc.....	\$261 80
Blanks, etc.....	129 15
Balance due from National Headquarters.....	2 25
Postage stamps in hands of Assistant Adjutant General. ...	1 80
Due from Monumental Association.....	199 60
<b>Total Assets.....</b>	<b>\$2,257 72</b>

**Exhibit 1.****Expenditures for Post Outfits, Books and Blanks.**

		VOUCHER.	
1882.			
March 18	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	15	\$96 65
April 22..	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	16	22 00
May 8 ...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	17	22 90
May 17...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	18	89 15
May 26 ..	Blank Receipt Books from Sentinel Co.....	19	35 00
May 29...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	20	89 15
Aug. 10..	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	21	47 18
Aug. 25..	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	43	12 50
Oct. 21...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	22	83 47
Nov. 8...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	23	3 75
Dec. 20...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	24	80 62
1883.			
Jan. 13...	Sentinel Co .....	25	4 00
Jan. 17...	Jos. Ratti.....	26	8 75
Feb. 8.....	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	27	5 00
March 1	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	28	5 00
March 8	.....	29	26 50
			<b>\$631 62</b>

## Exhibit 2.

**Expenditures for Badges, Rank Straps, etc.**

		VOUCHER.	
1882.			
March 20	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	32	\$121 50
March 27	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	33	120 00
May 3....	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	34	24 25
May 18...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	35	32 40
May 22...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	36	121 50
May 27...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	37	91 30
June 5....	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	38	90 75
June 16...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	39	120 00
July 29...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	40	120 00
Aug. 16...	Rank Straps from D. L. Auld.....	41	20 25
Aug. 24...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	42	151 75
Aug. 25...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	43	100 00
Aug. 29...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	44	9 75
Sept. 5....	Rank Badges from D. S. Auld.....	45	34 50
Sept. 11...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	46	50 00
Sept. 22...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	47	100 00
Oct. 6 .....	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	48	100 00
Nov. 8 ...	Rank Straps from D. S. Auld.....	49	34 50
Nov. 14....	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	50	100 00
Nov. 20...	Supplies from National Headquarters. Ex- pressage.....	51	60
Nov. 27...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	52	150 00
Dec. 14...	Rank Straps from D. S. Auld .....	53	55 50
Dec. 20...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	54	100 00



**Expenditures for Badges, etc.—CONTINUED.**

		VOUCHER.	
1883.			
Jan. 18...	Rank Straps from D. S. Auld.....	55	\$33 75
Jan. 18...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	57	150 00
Jan. 29...	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	58	101 50
Feb. 5....	Rank Straps from D. S. Auld.....	59	27 00
Feb. 23...	Rank Straps from D. S. Auld.....	60	51 00
March 1..	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	28	100 00
March 8..	Supplies from National Headquarters.....	62	150 00
March 15	Rank Straps from D. S. Auld.....	65	1 63
March 17	Rank Straps from D. S. Auld.....	66	38 25
			<hr/> 2,501 67

Exhibit 3.

Office Expense of Assistant Quartermaster General.

		VOUCHER.	
1882.			
July 6.....	Blank Books (printed) from Siebert & Lilly (part).....	65	\$21 00
March 18	1 Cash Book (blotter).....	66	75
March 20	1 Bank Check Book.....	67	1 00
Aug. 30...	Twine.....	68	25
Sept. 28...	Printing Labels for Express Packages.....	69	1 25
Nov. 8....	1 Bank Check Book .....	70	1 00
Nov. 16...	1 Cash Book(printed form)from Sentinel Co.	71	8 00
Nov. 14...	1 Letter Copying Book from Sentinel Co. (part).....	72	1 70
1883.			
Jan. 13...	Office Stationery from Sentinel Co.....	25	9 40
Jan. 25...	Office Stationery from Merrill & Co.....	74	1 50
Feb. 8.....	Wrapping Paper and Twine.....	75	60
March 15	Postage and Telegrams during the year.....	76	19 82
	Expressage.....	77	21 05
March 25	Postage from March 15th to date.....	78	50
			<u>\$87 82</u>

## Exhibit 4.

## Inventory of Supplies and Effects on hand in Assistant Quartermaster's Department.

No.	ARTICLES.	VALUE.
77	Rank Straps .....	\$57 75
243	Membership Badges.....	121 50
11 doz.	Large Buttons .....	4 20
10½ doz.	Small Buttons.....	2 10
1 doz.	Hat Cards.....	5 00
	Snpplies issued to Posts remaining unpaid.....	67 30
54	Badge Ribbons .....	2 70
80	Printed Postal Cards .....	1 25
1	Cash Book, in use.....	8 00
1	Ledger, in use.....	9 50
1	Book of Supplies Received .....	} 11 50
1	Book of Supplies Issued.....	
		<hr/> \$291 60

I would recommend, for the benefit of my successor, that the Encampment authorize to be constructed a case for the keeping of blanks, like or similar to, the one as exhibited in the draft submitted herewith. This would be not only a matter of great convenience, but tend to greater care in their storage.

In closing my labors as Assistant Quartermaster General, permit me to return my thanks to all with whom I have come in official contact for the uniform kindness with which my efforts to do my duty have been met. To yourself, personally, I have to say that my relations have been of such a character as to cement with stronger ties the friendship previously existing.

G. H. SHOVER,

*Assistant Quartermaster General.*



The following report from the Department Chaplain was read by the Assistant Adjutant General:

**Report of Department Chaplain.**

OFFICE OF CHAPLAIN, DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
THORNTOWN, IND., MARCH 3, 1883.

JAMES R. CARNAHAN,  
*Commanding Department:*

COMRADE: I beg leave to make the following report: On the Sabbath preceding Decoration day I preached a soldiers' memorial sermon. If the opportunities had been greater I would gladly have rendered more service.

I would recommend that the deaths of comrades be reported to the Chaplain's office by the Post Adjutants as they occur, and that the Chaplain make a brief memorial of each one in his annual report to the Department. Respectfully submitted.

J. W. HARRIS.

Department Inspector J. L. Wooden submitted the following report:

**Report of Department Inspector.**

GEN. JAS. R. CARNAHAN,  
*Commander Department of Indiana, G. A. R.:*

SIR AND COMRADE: I have the honor to report that, notwithstanding the earnest efforts of yourself and the Assistant Adjutant General to induce Post Commanders to forward names of comrades to be recommended for

appointment as Assistant Inspectors, less than one-half the Commanders of Posts organized prior to December 31, 1882, responded. I proceeded, as per authority conferred by general order No. 11, Department Headquarters, to make appointments for the delinquent Posts, issued a circular announcing same, and urged thorough inspections and immediate reports. I have received returns from sixty-four posts only, and herewith present a tabulated report of same. The Posts inspected appear to be, generally, in a healthy condition, yet I can only report eight posts as first-class in standing, having complied with all the requirements, including the formation of "relief funds" and the systematic dispensing of the same. The reports show the urgent necessity of thorough inspection and instruction in the Ritual and routine work of many Posts, and a number of requests from Posts come up through their Assistant Inspectors for instruction "by Department officers or well informed comrades from other Posts." In view of this long felt want, and the inefficiency of the present system of inspections, I respectfully recommend that the Department be divided into "inspection districts," and that competent comrades be selected to inspect the same, and that the Department Encampment make an allowance for the payment of their traveling expenses, at least.

Respectfully submitted,

In Friendship, Charity and Loyalty.

J. L. WOODEN,

*Inspector General Department of Indiana, G. A. R.*

## Report of Inspector.

NAME OF POST.	No. of Post.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING.	IS THE WORK IN THE RITUAL COMMITTED TO MEMORY AND PROPERLY PERFORMED?	ARE THE OFFICERS AND GUARDS PROPERLY UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	ARE THE MEMBERS UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	HOW MANY MUSKETS ARE OWNED BY THE POST?	ARE THE OFFICERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	ARE THE MEMBERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	DO THEY EXHIBIT AN INTEREST IN THE POST?	ARE ALL THE RECORDS COMPLETE AND WELL KEPT?	ARE ORDERS RECEIVED REGULARLY AND READ TO THE POST?	ARE THEY DUTY OBSERVED?	NUMBER OF ORDERS FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS MISSING FROM FILES.
Morton.....	1	140	yes	yes	yes	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
General Canby.....	2	46	no	no	no	none	not very	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
LaFayette.....	3	152	partially	no	partly	none	one-half are	25 per c.	partly	yes	yes	yes	none rec'd
"Pap" Thomas.....	5	130	no	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
McPherson.....	7	60	yes	no	no	none	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	none
Aulen.....	8	163	yes	yes	no	none	yes	70 per c.	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Gen'l Steele.....	9	66	no	no	no	none	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Capt. Floyd.....	10	27	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Greencastle.....	11	111	fairly	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Isham Keith.....	13	45	yes	partly	caps	12	yes	50 per c.	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Logansport.....	14	66	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	no	some	yes	yes	yes	none
Merchant.....	15	20	yes	no	no	none	partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	none
J. C. Davis.....	16	61	no	no	no	none	yes	yes	not much	yes	no	yes	none



## Report of Inspector—CONTINUED.

NAME OF POST.	No. of Post.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING.	IS THE WORK IN THE RITUAL PROPERLY PERFORMED?	ARE THE OFFICERS AND GUARDS PROPERLY UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	ARE THE MEMBERS UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	HOW MANY MUSKETS ARE OWN- ED BY THE POST?	ARE THE OFFICERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	ARE THE MEMBERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	DO THEY EXHIBIT AN INTEREST IN THE POST?	ARE ALL THE RECORDS COM- PLETE AND WELL KEPT?	ARE ORDERS RECEIVED REGU- LARLY AND READ TO THE POST?	ARE THEY DULY OBSERVED?	NUMBER OF ORDERS FROM NA- TIONAL HEADQUARTERS MISS- ING FROM FILES.
Geo. H. Thomas.....	17	334	yes	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
New Waverly .....	19	33	yes	yes	yes	11	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	11 and 12
Benton .....	25	52	no	no	no	none	fairly	50 per c.	yes	yes	yes	yes	11 and 12
O. A. Bachman.....	26	101	no—yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	11 and 12
Farragut.....	27	129	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	fairly	yes	yes	11 and 12
Thos. J. Harrison .....	30	109	no—yes	no	no	none	no	25 per c.	yes	yes	yes	yes	11 and 12
Boothroyd.....	31	73	yes	yes	yes	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Bluffton .....	33	39	no	no	no	none	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Robt. J. Templeton.....	35	28	no—yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
McKeenan.....	36	75	yes	yes	yes	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Elmer.....	37	94	yes	yes	yes	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
West Point.....	39	16	no—yes	no	no	none	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Sion S. Bass.....	40	191	yes	partly	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Veteran .....	41	24	partly	partly	no	13	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	all
Kilpatrick.....	45	35	partly	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none

Phil Kearney.....	46	35	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	partly	none
Kenessaw.....	47	20	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	all
Tippecanoe.....	51	54	no—yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....
Waterloo.....	52	35	no—yes	partly	no	fairly	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Goodland.....	57	23	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Bryant.....	62	29	no	no	no	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	none
Sam Henry.....	63	38	fairly	no	no	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	none
Jeremiah Bromer.....	66	49	yes	3/4	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
DeLong.....	67	32	partly	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Garber.....	72	67	no—yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Abram D. Shultz.....	73	18	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
David K. Stover.....	75	25	no	no	no	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	none
Shannon.....	80	44	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	none
Ellsworth.....	81	35	yes	no	no	no	no	average	yes	yes	none
Jeff.....	86	53	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....
Samuel Reid.....	87	26	partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1, 2, 3 & 8
Howell.....	89	38	no—yes	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	none
Gettysburg.....	90	50	no—yes	no	no	yes	yes	fairly	yes	yes	none
McClung.....	93	31	no—yes	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	none
Joe Hooker.....	95	36	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Wheeler.....	97	29	no—yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
John Coons.....	98	28	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	.....
Col. Wm. Jones.....	99	22	no—yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....
McHolland.....	100	34	partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
William Smith.....	102	40	partly	yes	yes	very	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Jno. A. Hendricks.....	103	29	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Chas. W. Heath.....	107	19	.....	.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....
Hathaway.....	109	22	partly	no	no	partly	yes	yes	no	no	.....
	110	36	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	none

## Report of Inspector—Continued.

NAME OF POST.	No. of Post.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING.	IS THE WORK IN THE RITUAL COMMITTED TO MEMORY AND PROPERLY PERFORMED?	ARE THE OFFICERS AND GUARDS PROPERLY UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	ARE THE MEMBERS UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	HOW MANY MUSKETS ARE OWN- ED BY THE POST?	ARE THE OFFICERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	ARE THE MEMBERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	DO THEY EXHIBIT AN INTEREST IN THE POST?	ARE ALL THE RECORDS COM- PLETE AND WELL KEPT?	ARE ORDERS RECEIVED REGU- LARLY AND READ TO THE POST?	ARE THEY DUTY OBSERVED?	NUMBERS OF ORDERS FROM NA- TIONAL HEADQUARTERS MISS- ING FROM FILES.
Morocco .....	111	31	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Jno. M. Wilson .....	112	33	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Abbott .....	113	21	partly	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Kosciusko .....	114	99	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
New Carlisle .....	115	30	partly	no	no	none	no	60 per c.	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Andrews .....	116	27	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	fairly	yes	yes	none
Stansberry .....	125	26	no	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none



Report of Inspector—CONTINUED.

No. of Post.	Number of Posts Inspected and Reported, sixty-four (64).	Three thousand, six hundred and forty-four	22 answers "yes," 12 answers "no" as to committing the Ritual to memory; "yes" to being "properly performed," 10 "partly," 2 "fairly," 17 "no," and one fails to answer the question.	9 answers "yes," 47 "no," 6 "partly," 1 answers "fairly," and one fails to answer the question.	6 answers "yes," 52 "no," 3 "partly," 1 "caps only," and one fails to answer.	8 Posts have muskets—aggregating 66 in all, and 56 Posts are without muskets.	49 Posts answer "yes," 7 "no," 4 "partly," 2 "fairly," 1 "very," and 1 "one-half."	38 Posts answers "yes," 12 "no," 3 "partly," 2 "fairly," 1 "very," 1 "average," 2 "25%," 2 "50%," 1 "60%," 1 "70%," and 1 "45%."	55 Posts answers "yes," 3 "no," 3 "partly," 1 "a little," 1 "some," and 1 "not much."	56 Posts answer "yes," 5 "no," and 3 "fairly."	57 Posts answer "yes," 3 "no," and 4 fail to answer the question.	56 Posts answer "yes," 2 "partly," and 6 fail to answer the question.	44 Posts answer "none," 3 report "some Nos. missing," 2 report "all" missing, and 15 fail to answer the question.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING.	IS THE WORK IN THE RITUAL COMMITTED TO MEMORY AND PROPERLY PERFORMED?	ARE THE OFFICERS AND GUARDS PROPERLY UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	ARE THE MEMBERS UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	HOW MANY MUSKETS ARE OWNED BY THE POST?	ARE THE OFFICERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	ARE THE MEMBERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	DO THEY EXHIBIT AN INTEREST IN THE POST?	ARE ALL THE RECORDS COMPLETE AND WELL KEPT?	ARE ORDERS RECEIVED REGULARLY AND READ TO THE POST?	ARE THEY DUTY OBSERVED?	NUMBER OF ORDERS FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS MISSING FROM FILES.
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## Report of Inspector.

NAME OF POST.	No. of Post.	NUMBER OF ORDERS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS MISSING FROM FILES.	HAVE ALL REPORTS AND TAXES BEEN FORWARDED?	AMOUNT CHARGED FOR MUSTER-IN?	AMOUNT CHARGED FOR PER CAPITA TAX.	ARE BENEFITS PAID IN CASES OF SICKNESS?	IF SO, HOW MUCH PER WEEK?	IS THERE A RELIEF FUND FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES?	HOW MUCH MONEY IS IN THE RELIEF FUND?	IS THIS MONEY SYSTEMATICALLY DISPENSED?	TOTAL AMOUNT EXPENDED FOR CHARITY.	WHAT ARE THE PROSPECTS FOR THE FUTURE?
Morton .....	1	none	yes	\$2.00	.40	no	.....	yes	\$7.15	yes	22.90	good
General Canby.....	2	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	3.00	favorable
LaFayette.....	3	none	yes	3.00	\$2.00	no	.....	yes	60.00	yes	.....	good
"Pap" Thomas.....	5	none	yes	2.00	1.00	no	.....	yes	20.50	yes	9.50	good
McPherson .....	7	none	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	15.00	fair
Auten.....	8	none	yes	3.00	.40	no	.....	yes	100.00	yes	151.45	excellent
Gen'l Steele.....	9	none	yes	1.00	.40	yes	4 00	yes	75.00	yes	.....	good
Capt. Floyd.....	10	none	yes	1.00	1.00	yes	varies	yes	3.75	yes	.....	good
Greencastle .....	11	none	yes	1.75	.40	no	.....	yes	.....	.....	50.00	fair
Isham Keith .....	13	none	yes	2.00	.40	no	.....	yes	37.67	yes	17.50	good
Logansport .....	14	.....	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	yes	2.50	yes	71.20	good
Merchant .....	15	none	yes	2.50	.....	no	.....	yes	.....	.....	2.00	gloomy
J. C. Davis.....	16	none	yes	2.00	.50	yes	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair

17	Geo. H. Thomas.....	none	yes	3.00	2.00	.....	.....	yes	32.60	yes	309.45	good
19	New Waverly.....	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	4.00	good
25	Benton.....	3 and 4	yes	3.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	favorable
26	O. A. Bachman.....	none	no	2.50	3.00	yes	2.00	yes	144.11	yes	69.92	very fair
27	Farragut.....	3 and 4	yes	2.00	.....	no	.....	yes	252.10	yes	18.00	good
30	Thos. J. Harrison.....	.....	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
31	Boothroyd.....	none	yes	2.00	1.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	55.00	good
33	Bluffton.....	none	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair
35	Robt. J. Templeton.....	none	yes	2.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	6.00	good
36	McKeehan.....	none	yes	1.00	.40	yes	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
37	Elmer.....	none	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	yes	45.00	yes	46.00	good
39	West Point.....	none	yes	2.00	1.20	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
40	Sion S. Bass.....	none	yes	3.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	15.60	bright future
41	Veteran.....	all	yes	1.75	1.40	no	.....	yes	none	no	2.00	fair
45	Kilpatrick.....	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair
46	Phil Kearney.....	none	yes	3.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair
47	Kenesaw.....	none	yes	1.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair
51	Tippecanoe.....	1 to 5	yes	3.00	.....	no	.....	no	.....	.....	42.00	fair
52	Waterloo.....	none	yes	2.00	.....	no	.....	yes	5.00	yes	.....	good
57	Goodland.....	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
62	Bryant.....	none	yes	2.00	.....	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair
63	Sam Henry.....	none	yes	3.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair
66	Jeremiah Bromer.....	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	9.20	good
67	DeLong.....	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	very good
72	Garber.....	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	very flattering
73	Abram D. Shultz.....	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
75	David K. Stover.....	none	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	yes	5.75	yes	.....	bright
80	Shannon.....	none	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
81	Ellsworth.....	none	yes	2.00	1.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good



## Report of Inspector—CONTINUED.

NAME OF POST.	No. of Post.	NUMBERS OF ORDERS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS MISSING FROM FILES.	HAVE ALL REPORTS AND TAXES BEEN FORWARDED?	AMOUNT CHARGED FOR MUSTER-IN?	AMOUNT CHARGED FOR PER CAPITA TAX?	ARE BENEFITS PAID IN CASE OF SICKNESS?	IF SO, HOW MUCH PER WEEK?	IS THERE A RELIEF FUND FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES?	HOW MUCH MONEY IS IN THE RELIEF FUND?	IS THIS MONEY SYSTEMATICALLY DISPENSED?	TOTAL AMOUNT EXPENDED FOR CHARITY.	WHAT ARE THE PROSPECTS FOR THE FUTURE?
Jeff .....	86	.....	yes	2.00	.....	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	first-class
Samuel Reid .....	87	.....	.....	1.00	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	good
Huff .....	89	1, 2, 3, 8	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
Howell .....	90	none	yes	3.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	excellent
Gettysburg .....	93	none	no	2.00	2.00	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
McClung .....	95	none	yes	2.00	2.00	no	.....	yes	6.25	yes	11.00	good
Joe Hooker .....	97	none	yes	1.00	.40	yes	3.00	yes	22.00	yes	.....	good
Wheeler .....	98	1 to 8	no	1.75	.....	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	favorable
John Coons .....	99	No. 6	yes	1.75	1.60	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
Col. Wm. Jones .....	100	none	yes	1.00	3.00	no	.....	yes	7.50	.....	.....	good
McHolland .....	102	none	yes	1.00	.40	yes	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	very good
William Smith .....	103	none	yes	1.00	.40	yes	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	favorable
John A. Hendricks .....	107	.....	.....	.....	.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	good
Chas. W. Heath .....	109	.....	yes	5.00	1.00	.....	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
Hathaway .....	110	none	yes	1.00	.40	no	.....	yes	.70	yes	.....	good

Morocco.....	111	49 Posts answer "none," 6 report 3 numbers missing, 1 reports all missing, and 8 fail to answer the question.	none	yes	not fixed	23 Posts charge ".40 cts." 1 ".50 cts." 1 ".60 cts." 5 ".1.00." 2 ".1.20." 1 ".1.40." 1 ".1.60." 20 "\$2.00." 2 "\$3.00." 7 make no charge and 1 "not fixed."	9 Posts answer "yes," 52 "no," and 3 fail to answer the question.	From \$2.00 to \$4.00.	21 Posts answer "yes," 41 "no," and 2 fail to answer the question.	Eight hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-eight cents.	18 Posts answer "yes," 1 "no," and 2 fail to answer the question.	One thousand and forty-five dollars and twelve cents.	38 Posts answer "good," 2 "very good," 11 "fair," 1 "very fair," 2 "excellent," 5 "favorable," 2 "bright," 1 "very flatter- ing," 1 "first class" and 1 "sloomy."	good good favorable good good good good
Jno. M. Wilson .....	112		none	yes	2.00	20 Posts charge ".1.00." 1 ".1.50." 4 "\$1.75." 25 "\$2.00." 2 "\$2.50." 9 "\$3.00." 1 "\$3.00." 1 fails to answer, and one answers "not fixed."								
Abbott.....	113		none	yes	1.50									
Kosciusko.....	114		none	yes	1.00									
New Carlisle.....	115		none	no	1.00									
Andrews .....	116		none	yes	2.00									
Stansberry .....	125		none	not due	2.00									

Senior Vice Department Commander Edwin Nicar appointed the following committee, to whom was referred the report of the Department Commander:

**Committee on Department Commander's Report.**

Comrade J. L. Wooden, Post 5.

Comrade D. N. Foster, Post 40.

Comrade Geo. F. McGinnis, Post 17.

The following committee was appointed on the report of the Inspector General:

**Committee on Inspector General's Report.**

Comrade Brown, Post 47.

Comrade W. W. McBeth, Post 3.

Comrade C. E. Whitsett, Post 26.

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, appointed at the meeting of the Council of Administration on the 13th of February, 1883, made the following report, which was, upon motion, adopted:

**Report of Committee on Accounts of A. A. G.  
and A. Q. M. G.**

JAMES R. CARNAHAN,

*Commander Department of Indiana, G. A. R. :*

The undersigned committee, appointed by the Council of Administration to audit the accounts of the Assis-



tant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General of the Department, respectfully report that we have examined said accounts and compared them carefully with the vouchers, and find them correct and recommend their approval.

We also recommend that the suggestion of the Assistant Quartermaster General that a suitable case for the reception and safe-keeping of the record Books and papers of the Department be carried out and that such a case be procured at once.

We desire to call special attention to, and commend the thoroughness and efficiency which the two officers have displayed in their management of the respective offices they have so well filled, and recommend their example to their successors.

Respectfully submitted.

R. S. ROBERTSON,  
GEO. F. MCGINNIS,  
W. A. QUIGLEY,  
*Committee.*

The following proceedings of the Council of Administration, held March 27, 1883, were read by the Assistant Adjutant General, and, on motion, the action of the body in question was concurred in by the Encampment:

**Proceedings of Council of Administration,  
March 27, 1883.**

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MARCH 27, 1883.

The Council of Administration met pursuant to call of general order No. 13.

The call of the roll showed the following members present:

J. R. Carnahan, Commander.  
Edwin Nicar, Senior Vice Commander.  
A. C. Rosencranz, Junior Vice Commander.  
W. M. Scott, Medical Director.  
Ben D. House, Assistant Adjutant General.  
G. H. Shover, Assistant Quartermaster General.  
Comrade R. S. Robertson.  
Comrade J. A. Gurley.  
Comrade George F. McGinnis.  
Comrade W. A. Quigley.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The reports of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General were read and referred to the committee previously appointed, consisting of Comrades Robertson, McGinnis and Quigley.

The report of the committee on the accounts of Jay Cummings, former Assistant Adjutant General, was read, and, after considerable discussion, adopted. The following is a summary of said report:

**Report of Committee on Jay Cummings' Account.**

We find that said comrade, during his term of office as Assistant Adjutant General, received money to the amount of \$427.66, and that he paid out the sum of \$270.81, leaving a balance in his hands of \$156.85. We further find that there is due said comrade for nine months' services as Assistant Adjutant General of the Department the sum of \$375; deducting therefrom the sum of \$156.85 in his hands, leaves a balance of \$218.15

still due him, and we recommend the payment of the same, and that Comrade Cummings' report, as filed herewith, be received and the account closed.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

JAMES T. JOHNSTON,  
JAMES W. HALEY,  
WM. H. ARMSTRONG,

*Committee.*

TERRE HAUTE, IND., DECEMBER 27, 1882.

A bill for \$12.25, expenses incurred as Department Inspector, was presented by Comrade Wooden and approved.

Council Closed.

BEN D. HOUSE,  
*Assistant Adjutant General.*

The following proceedings of all meetings of the Council of Administration held prior to March 27, 1883, and subsequent to February 22, 1882, were then read, and, on motion, concurred in by vote of the Encampment:

**Proceedings of Council of Administration,  
June 6, 1882.**

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., JUNE 6, 1882.

The Council of Administration met pursuant to call of the Department Commander.

Present—

Jas. R. Carnahan, Department Commander.  
Ed. Nicar, Senior Vice Commander.  
A. C. Rosencranz, Junior Vice Commander.



Wm. Scott, Medical Director.  
Ben D. House, Assistant Adjutant General.  
Garrett H. Shover, Assistant Quartermaster General.  
J. B. Shaw, C. M. O.  
J. L. Wooden, Inspector.  
Comrade J. A. Gurley.  
Comrade G. F. McGinnis.  
Comrade Wm. A. Quigley.

Commander Carnahan presiding, stated the reason of calling the meeting to be for the purpose of taking action relative to the action of Morton Post 1 in having passed at a Post meeting, and caused to be published, a resolution of a political character, in violation of the provisions of Article XI, Rules and Regulations. The resolution, as published, was read, and Comrade Haley, Commander of Post 1, admitted its correctness, to the best of his memory and belief.

Commander Carnahan then read a communication from Commander-in-Chief Merrill, advising a general order of censure, and a telegram recommending the suspending of the Charter of Morton Post 1, Department of Indiana, as a result of a second series of resolutions passed at a meeting of ex-soldiers, and the members of Morton Post as such, on the evening of the 30th ult., such communications being filed as part of the records of the Assistant Adjutant General's office, Department of Indiana, G. A. R.

Comrade Haley, Commander of Morton Post, was then asked to make a statement, which he did, to the purpose that the defense of the Post was to be found in the action of R. B. F. Pierce towards that organization for some time past, but that it could not be presented without having the records of the Post present.

After a general discussion, the following resolutions were offered by Comrade McGinnis, member of the Council of Administration :

*Resolved, 1.* That Morton Post 1, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Indiana, be required to withdraw and disavow, as its official action, the resolution pledging the members of that organization to oppose the candidacy of R. B. F. Pierce for election to Congress in a manner as public as it was given to the world, both in the Post room and through the public prints, and that notification of such action be sent to such Posts as were furnished with copies of the original resolution.

*Resolved, 2.* That such Post disavow all connection, as a Grand Army organization, with the meeting that passed a series of resolutions on May 30th, affirming the action of Morton Post, pledging the members of that organization to oppose the candidacy of R. B. F. Pierce for a political office, and that such action be taken at the first regular meeting of Morton Post, after an official copy of these resolutions shall have been received.

The following additional resolution was offered by Senior Vice Commander Nicar :

*Resolved,* That the Council of Administration, while recognizing the fact that the action of Morton Post complained of deserves much more severe discipline under the code of the Grand Army of the Republic, yet, in the exemplification of charity—one of the three great principles of our Order—we extend to said Post this method of retaining fraternal relations with the other Posts of this Department.

The resolutions were adopted, with but one dissenting voice.

On motion of Assistant Adjutant General House, it was ordered that the actual traveling expenses of the members of the Council of Administration be paid out of the Department funds, and the Assistant Quartermaster General was ordered to disburse the same.

Adjourned.

BEN D. HOUSE,  
*Assistant Adjutant General.*

**Proceedings of Council of Administration,  
August 8, 1882.**

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., AUGUST 8, 1883.

The Council of Administration met pursuant to call of the Commander, and upon call of the roll the following were found present:

Jas. R. Carnahan, Department Commander.  
Wm. Scott, Medical Director.  
Rev. J. W. Harris, Chaplain.  
Ben D. House, Assistant Adjutant General.  
Garrett H. Shover, Assistant Quartermaster General.  
J. L. Wooden, Inspector.  
Comrade J. A. Gurley.  
Comrade Geo. F. McGinnis.

A statement was made by Department Commander Carnahan, that the convention of the Council of Administration had been decided upon for the purpose of considering the question of an Indiana Soldiers' Monument, and for the devising of ways and means looking towards the erection of such a memorial of the valor of Indiana troops in the field during the war of the rebellion.



After an informal interchange of opinions, the following plan was suggested and adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Grand Army of the Republic take steps to erect a State Soldiers' Monument, to be erected at the capital of the State.

*Resolved*, That the erection of said Monument be under the direction of a Board of Managers, consisting of the various Post Commanders of the State, and that the Department Commander shall be President of said Board.

*Resolved*, That an Executive Committee of seven shall be appointed by the Department Commander, a majority of whom shall reside at the capital, which Committee shall have charge of all funds that may be raised for said Monument, and shall be responsible therefor.

The following Committee was appointed:

Commander Jas. R. Carnahan, *ex-officio*.

Comrade John Coburn, Post 17.

Comrade J. L. Wooden, Post 5.

Comrade A. D. Lynch, Post 17.

Comrade R. S. Robertson, Post 40.

Comrade David Agnew, Post 16.

Comrade Fred. Knefler, Post 17.

Comrade John L. McMasters, Post 17.

On motion, the Assistant Adjutant General was ordered to send, with the supplies of each Post, double the number of applications appearing on the petition for Charter.

The action of the Department Commander in procuring record books for the office of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General was approved.

On motion, the Assistant Quartermaster General was ordered to pay the actual traveling expenses of the members in attendance.

Adjourned.

BEN D. HOUSE,

*Assistant Adjutant General.*

**Proceedings of Council of Administration,  
February 13, 1883.**

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA,

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., FEBRUARY 13, 1883.

The Council of Administration met pursuant to call of the Department Commander, and upon call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Jas. R. Carnahan, Department Commander.

Wm. Scott, Medical Director.

Ben D. House, Assistant Adjutant General.

G. H. Shover, Assistant Quartermaster General.

J. L. Wooden, Inspector.

R. S. Robertson, C. M. O.

Comrade J. A. Gurley.

Comrade Geo. F. McGinnis.

Comrade Wm. A. Quigley.

Statement was made by the Department Commander that the Council had been called together for the purpose of fixing the date and location for the fourth annual Department Encampment.

After discussion, the date was fixed on the 28th of March (Wednesday).

The question of location being brought before the Council, Greensburg was advocated by R. S. Robertson

and J. L. Wooden, but, after some discussion, it was decided that it should be held at Indianapolis, by a vote of five to three.

The Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General were appointed a committee to provide a place for the meeting of the Department Encampment.

It was decided, by a vote of the Council, to have a public installation, and a camp fire after the business of the Encampment, on Wednesday evening, the 28th of March, 1883, and the Department Commander, the Assistant Adjutant General and the Assistant Quartermaster General were appointed a committee to arrange a programme.

On motion, the Assistant Quartermaster General was ordered to open an account with the Monumental Association, to pay the amount due W. B. Burford for lithographing the Certificates of Membership, and to draw on the Treasurer of the Association in liquidation of said advance.

The report of the committee appointed to investigate the official acts of Jay Cummings was read, and on motion of Dr. Wooden, a committee of three was appointed to ascertain the membership of the Grand Army of the Republic in this Department during his term of office, and to report a recommendation that settlement be had with him upon a basis of fifteen cents per capita per annum, in accordance with the action of the Department Encampment, held at Greencastle, at its first annual session, and reaffirmed at the second annual session at Terre Haute.

The following committee was appointed:



Comrade J. L. Wooden.

Comrade J. A. Gurley.

Comrade Ben D. House.

On motion, a committee was appointed on the annual reports of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, to act on the evening of the 27th of March, and to report to the Encampment on the following day.

The following Committee was appointed :

Comrade Robertson.

Comrade McGinnis.

Comrade Quigley.

It was decided that an invitation be extended by the Council of Administration to the Commander-in-Chief to be present at the Encampment.

On motion, the Assistant Quartermaster General was ordered to pay the traveling expenses of the members in attendance.

Adjourned.

BEN D. HOUSE.

*Assistant Adjutant General.*

Recess was then taken for dinner.

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### AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the reassembly after the noon hour, the unwritten work of the Order was exemplified by members of Geo. H. Thomas Post 17, Post Commander Geo. W. Spahr presiding, who was assisted by Senior Vice Commander Edwin Nicar, the latter delivering the charge.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Department Commander, made the following report: The recommendations therein contained were considered separately, and after some discussion relative to the reduction of the per capita tax to 5 cents per quarter, the report of the committee was adopted, the blank as to the salary of the Assistant Quartermaster General being filled by \$150.

### **Report of Committee on Address of Department Commander.**

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA,

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MARCH 28, 1883.

The committee to whom was referred the address of the Department Commander, Comrade James R. Carnahan, respectfully report, recommending the adoption of the suggestion made by him that the per capita tax should be reduced during the coming year to eight cents per quarter.

We further recommend that the question of remitting the per capita tax for the ensuing year of the Posts mentioned as having suffered from the recent floods, be referred to the incoming Council of Administration.

In reference to the suggestion that Comrade Garrett H. Shover, Assistant Quartermaster General, should be suitably reimbursed for the labors of the past year in his Department, your committee recommend that he be allowed the sum of \$150, and that this amount be fixed as the salary of the Assistant Quartermaster General for the coming year.

Your committee have this further recommendation to make, and it is one which they feel confident will meet a hearty response from every comrade in this Department: We suggest the appointment, by the Senior Vice Department Commander, of a committee of three comrades who shall procure a suitable testimonial in the form of an official badge, to be presented to Comrade James R. Carnahan, as a slight token of our appreciation of his eminently successful services as Department Commander.

J. L. WOODEN,

GEO. F. MCGINNIS,

DAVID N. FOSTER,

*Committee.*

The following committee was appointed by Senior Vice Department Commander Nicar, in accordance with the recommendation of the committee on report of the Department Commander, to procure a testimonial to that official:

Comrade J. L. Wooden, Post 5.

Comrade Ben D. House, Post 17.

Comrade A. C. Rosencranz, Post 27.

Comrade Robertson, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, submitted the following report, which, on motion, was adopted by vote of the Encampment:

### **Report of Committee on Credentials.**

*To the Department Commander and Comrades of the Department of Indiana, G. A. R.*

Your Committee on Credentials report that the following Delegates are entitled to seats and votes in the



Encampment; all as shown present by the Roster prepared by the Assistant Adjutant General, except as follows:

1. Post 2, Post Commander J. M. Booth, omitted from the Roster, is entitled to be recognized, and Alternate J. C. Gregg, in place of G. W. Janes, who is absent.

2. Post 4 presents no credentials.

3. Post 5 is entitled to representation as follows: Post Commander Geo. H. McKee; Delegates, Samuel McGuire, Geo. H. Dunn; Past Post Commanders, J. L. Wooden, M. D. Tackett, John Childs.

4. Post 34. No record of election of Delegates or credentials presented, but we find the name of J. T. Moore inserted in the Roster, and checked as answering for the Post.

5. Post 35 sends two certificates of same date, showing in one the name of A. D. Sleeper, Delegate, and H. C. Shenkenberger as Alternate; the other the same Delegate and J. T. Moore as Alternate. He does not answer for Post 35. In our opinion, under the Rules and Regulations, Comrade Moore is not entitled to a seat.

5½. Post 36 sends Comrade Prather, who states that C. D. Shank was, at the last meeting of the Post, elected as an Alternate in place of Comrade Couchman, who had removed from the jurisdiction of the Post. We have no certificate of such election, and leave Comrade Shank's admission to be decided by the Encampment.

6. Post 46. No record of election of Delegates or credentials are presented, but we find the names of Comrades Breeman and Morris inserted as answering for the Post. Without proper evidence of their election they would not be entitled to represent the Post.

7. Post 48 is in the same condition. Comrade W. H. Wiley answers for the Post, but without evidence of his election is not entitled to represent the Post.

8. Post 53. No record of election, but a certificate of the Post Commander, dated the 27th of March,, of the appointment of J. W. McAllister as Delegate, in place of a representative and Alternate, who are not named. This is not in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, in our opinion, and the appointed Delegate is not entitled to represent the Post.

9. Post 61. There is no record or certificate of the election of a delegate.

10. Post 64. No credentials.

11. Post 65 has presented no certificate of election of Delegate, but the Post Commander, without the attestation of the Post Adjutant, under date of March 26, 1883, certifies that James W. Price is a regular accredited Delegate of Post 66. We can not report that Comrade Price is entitled to a seat on this certificate.

12. Post 115. The certificate shows the election of J. W. Shuts Delegate and D. A White Alternate. The Post Commander, under date of March 26th, states that, it being impossible for him to attend, he appoints Comrade I. N. Vail to represent Post 115. This is not in accordance with the Rules and Regulations.

13. Post 116 The certificate of the Post Commander and Adjutant shows an election, but there is no credential showing that Wm. Bowen, who answers as representative, has any authority to represent the Post.

14. Your committee have to report that all Posts organized subsequent to January 1, 1883, and numbered from 128 to 156 inclusive, are only entitled to be repre-

sented by their Post Commander, or, in his absence, by the Senior Vice Commander, and in his absence by the Junior Vice Commander. The authority for this opinion of your committee will be found on page 11 of the Manual for the guidance of the Grand Army of the Republic, edition of August, 1881, which is as follows :

“Posts mustered after January 1st can be represented in the annual Encampment of that year by the Post Commander only. Section 2, article II, chapter III, page 12 constitutes as members all the Post Commanders for the time being.

“In the absence of the Post Commander the Senior Vice Commander or Junior Vice Commander may represent the Post.

“No election for representative can be held after the first meeting in December, except to fill vacancies, as provided in section 3, article VII, chapter II, page 9.”

Section 3 is as follows :

“Posts may fill any vacancy in their offices at any stated meeting, notice of such contemplated action having been given at a previous meeting.”

We desire to call attention to the fact that a number of Posts have failed to report any certificates of election, but we have examined into no question of this kind unless some one claiming to be a Delegate has appeared and thus made it proper to examine and report upon such claim.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS HANNA,  
WM. H. ARMSTRONG,  
R. S. ROBERTSON,  
*Committee.*



On motion, the following comrades were admitted as Delegates from their respective Posts :

Comrade W. H. Wiley, Post 48.

Comrade J. T. Moore, Post 35.

Comrade Wm. Bone, Post 116.

Comrade J. H. Price, Post 65.

Comrade J. B. Mulkey, Post 85.

The committee on report of Department Inspector submitted the following report, which, on motion, was adopted by vote of the Encampment :

### **Report of Committee on Department Inspector's Report.**

INDIANAPOLIS, MARCH 28, 1883.

*To Comrade J. R. Carnahan, Department Commander, and Members of the Department Encampment, G. A. R.*

COMRADES: Your committee to examine the report of Department Inspector, Comrade J. L. Wooden, would respectfully report that we find the report in good order and as perfect of its kind as was possible under the circumstances.

Comrade Wooden deserves the thanks of the Department for his zealous and laborious efforts in the discharge of the duties of his office under such a discouraging state of affairs as he calls attention to. That Post Commanders should be so negligent in appointing Assistant Inspectors, and that so many of the Inspectors appointed should be careless and unbusiness-like in making their reports, can only be accounted for in a measure, also excused on the ground that so many of the Posts

are new and the Rules and Regulations imperfectly understood.

We would call the attention of Post Commanders and Delegates present at this Encampment, to the vital importance of these inspections. It is only by having laws and living up to them that any organization can thrive, and surely every soldier understands the dire necessity of every one doing just what he is appointed to do—what his orders call for—and doing it well.

The recommendation of Comrade Wooden, that the Department be divided into Inspection Districts with Assistant Inspectors for each, whose actual traveling expenses be paid by the Department, we think a good one, and recommend its adoption.

We would further recommend that it be the duty of these Assistant Inspectors to visit the Posts assigned to them at least once a year, not simply to ascertain such facts as may be called for in their reports, but, if necessary, to encourage and instruct them in the things they lack and build them up in efficiency and usefulness.

Respectfully submitted.

E. R. BROWN,  
C. E. WHITSETT,  
W. W. MCBETH,  
*Committee.*

The following resolution was received, and, on motion, referred to the incoming Council of Administration:

WHEREAS, It has been the custom of other Departments of the Grand Army of the Republic to change the place of holding the Department Encampment each year, and,

WHEREAS, Such a course pursued by these Depart-

ments is productive of general satisfaction and a more fraternal feeling among the comrades. Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Council of Administration be and is hereby, instructed to change the place of meeting of this Department Encampment each year, and they are further instructed that no future meeting of this Department shall be held in any city or town where the Encampment has been held since its organization.

The following communication was received and referred to the incoming Council of Administration:

### **McClung Post, G. A. R.**

In the Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at Rochester, Indiana, February 6, 1883.

WHEREAS, We believe the sovereignty of the country is in the people, that all are equal before the law, that class legislation is a burning shame, that such legislation strikes the death knell to our free institutions and patriotic aspirations; that it was for the reasons that we believed this country should be one people, have one flag, and there should not be one favored above another before the law, and that when we had become citizens then there should be no distinction, no class, no one awarded above the other, and that the private should have equal pay, equal glory, equal reward, and stand forth a sovereign man, not above, but equal to the officer who received his honor and reward while in service; that we fought the battles, that our dead comrades with their dead bodies enriched the nation and stamped every dollar in the pockets of the rich with the globules of their sacred blood. And

WHEREAS, There is no reason why the dependent



widow and mother of the private should have less than the dependent widows and mothers of the officers, and no reason why an officer wounded in leg, hip or arm, when relegated to private life, should have a greater pension than the private wounded in like manner, unless it be to ape the old and false aristocratic rule of the ancient, bigoted, aristocratic world. And

WHEREAS, The patriotic soldier and citizen must ever blush with shame at the special acts of Congress granting pensions, making distinction between the officer and private, and widows and mothers of deceased officers and privates, placing the former on the pension rolls at higher rates than the latter, when one widow is not above another, thus placing upon the statutes of this nation a record blackened with indignity and distinction against the very spirit of our institutions, creating a hatred and disgust, which, like a cancerous virus, consumes and eats out the very heart of patriotism, and makes the soldier, voter and citizen the subject and slave, not the freeman. Therefore, be it

*Resolved, 1.* That we demand that the pension laws be so amended that rank shall not be taken into consideration in granting the same, that all soldiers of every rank shall be equal and fare alike; that the only distinction made shall be in grading the disability and not of rank; that the minimum pensions for all shall be twenty dollars per month.

*Resolved, 2.* That since this government has recognized the fact that there is something due those who gave their best blood and their health to defend the Nation, and who are now helpless and maimed, and without whose help the people of this country would be poor indeed, they should receive that pay which is commensurate to the services rendered.

*Resolved, 3.* That we, the comrades of the patriot dead, the sleeping heroes, the maimed and wounded living, the friends of the wan-faced widow, of the lost brother, and the poor, dependant mother, shall never vote for any man who would degrade them by giving preference to rank in the granting of pensions.

*Resolved, 4.* That these resolutions be published in the various papers of Rochester, Indiana, and in the *Union Volunteer* and *National Tribune*, of Washington, D. C.

These resolutions were unanimously adopted by McClung Post 95, February 6, 1883.

Attest:

A. C. SHEPHERD.

*Adjutant.*

On motion, the election of officers was made the special order of business at 4:10 o'clock P. M.

Comrade J. L. McMasters, of Post 17, offered the following communication:

### **Indiana Soldiers' and Seamen's Home.**

The following is the report of the committee appointed by George H. Thomas Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and presented to that Post and adopted and ordered to be presented to the Department Encampment of the Grand Army.

*To the Commander and Comrades of George H. Thomas Post 17, G. A. R., Department of Indiana:*

Your committee, to whom was referred the subject of



the Indiana Soldiers' and Seamen's Home, desire to submit the following as their report :

First—We find that the Soldiers' and Seamen's Home was projected by patriotic citizens of the State in their individual capacity, and that, for the purpose of securing the necessary means with which to purchase lands and erect suitable buildings, Chaplain Lozier and Captain Atkinson were appointed as agents to solicit funds, and that they did secure enough money by private subscription to purchase a farm and extensive buildings, where they located such an institution.

Second—That on the 13th day of April, 1866, said citizens, by their representatives, purchased of James Maulsby, and Ruth, his wife, for the sum of \$8,500, fifty acres of land in Rush county, Indiana, said land being conveyed by deed to Conrad Baker, James M. Ray and William Hannaman in trust, for the use and benefit of the "Soldiers' and Seamen's Home Association," to be held by them until such Association should be organized, when they were to convey the same to such Association in fee simple for the purposes of said trust.

Third—That by act of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, approved March 11, 1867, there was established at the Knightstown Springs, Rush county, Ind., a home for the maintenance of sick and disabled soldiers and seamen, and their orphans and widows, called the "Indiana Soldiers' and Seamen's Home." The charge and management of said Home was entrusted to a Board of Trustees, consisting of the following persons, to-wit: Henry B. Hill, Charles S. Hubbard and William Hannaman. The said Board and their successors were made a body politic and corporate, to be known by the



title of the "Trustees of the Indiana Soldiers' and Seamen's Home," with powers, etc.

The Trustees had power to receive gifts, legacies, conveyances and all donations and loans, or property, real or personal, that might be made, given or granted for the purposes of the "Home," and in its name, and they could purchase such tract or tracts of land not exceeding 110 acres, etc., and the Board had power to adopt such regulations for the admission of and discharge of persons who had entered the United States service, the widows and orphans of such persons, from the State as follows:

1. Totally disabled soldiers and seamen.
2. Partially disabled soldiers and seamen.
3. Orphans under fifteen years of age of deceased soldiers and seamen.
4. Widows of deceased soldiers and seamen.

Fourth—That on the 27th day of August, 1867, the said Conrad Baker, James M. Ray and William Hannaman, for the purpose of carrying out said trust, conveyed by deed the said fifty acres of land in Rush county, Ind., to the Trustees of the Indiana Soldiers' and Seamen's Home.

Fifth—That by the act of the General Assembly, approved March 7, 1879, there was established in this State an institution to be known as the Asylum for Feeble-minded Children, and that the said institution was located at the "Soldiers' Orphans' Home," near Knightstown, and in Rush county, Indiana, and that the management of said institution was entrusted to a Board of three Trustees, etc.; the said Trustees, when so appointed and qualified, were to have charge of, management and control of the "Soldiers' Orphans' Home," and the office

of Trustee of said "Soldiers' Orphans' Home" was thereby declared to be abolished.

Sixth—That by the act of the General Assembly, approved March 15, 1879, the act approved March 7, 1879, was repealed, and an "Asylum for Feeble-minded Children" established at the "Soldiers' Orphans' Home," near Knightstown, and in Rush county, Indiana, the management to be entrusted to a Board of three Trustees; said Board of Trustees, when so appointed and qualified, were to have charge, management and control of the "Soldiers' Orphans' Home," and the office of Trustee of said "Soldiers' Orphans' Home" was thereby declared abolished. The Legislature of 1883 re-enacted the last named act, and amended it so as to provide for the election of Trustees by the Legislature. In 1879, when the law as to idiots was enacted, there were 281 soldiers' orphans in the Home, with 119 applications for admission pending. Now there are 140 soldiers' orphans and 81 idiots in the Home, thus crowding out the legitimate tenants from the place provided by the people. The farm was purchased for a home for disabled soldiers, seamen and their orphans and widows, and this attempt to divert the trust and destroy largely the intended use of the place for the sacred purpose to which it was devoted, would seem to be contrary to law and unwarranted by the facts. The funds with which the Home was bought were contributed for that purpose alone, and while the beneficiaries exist who are entitled to its use it can not justly be used for any other. The conveyance of the land was made to the Trustees of the Soldiers' and Seamen's Home, after it was organized under a special act of the Legislature, and has been held by them for that purpose to this day, notwithstanding this unjust and despotic act of legislation.



The facts are, that the Home, with a capacity of 300, has been unable to accommodate the orphans who have been pressing for admission. In the year 1874, the Trustees say in their report that "the number of inmates does not diminish; indeed the pressure for admission to the Home by these orphan children has been as great during the past year as at almost any time during its existence. This is attributed to the failing health and premature death of the fathers, caused by exposure and wounds while serving in the army of the United States."

In the report of 1878-9 the Trustees say that "the demand for admission is now as great as it ever has been; with a capacity for 300 children they can not accommodate one-half that would fairly be entitled under the law to a place within its walls. These children of soldiers are taken from the homes of poverty or from the county asylums, where they never could get education or training." The Superintendent, in his report for 1878-9, says: "The last annual report shows the number of inmates to have been 281; there have been admitted during the year, 7; discharged, 28; died, 1; leaving now on the roll 259. Many of them have been, and some now are, in temporary homes until such time as we may be able to call them in. I now have on file 119 applications for admission, many of them in very destitute circumstances."

These reports were made to the Legislature of 1879, which passed the act thrusting the idiots of our State into the seats of its most sacred wards, and, notwithstanding this urgent demand for more room and greater accommodations, they were deprived of at least half of the supply already furnished. Why this was done your committee can not understand. The orphans of our



soldiers and seamen, scattered in the poor houses of the State, steeped in poverty, ignorance and misery, demanded the kind and active sympathy of our Legislators, but their mute appeals were made to deaf ears and indifferent hearts.

How different has been the conduct of our Legislators from those of our sister States of Ohio and Illinois! In Ohio there is a Home located at Xenia, in which, in the year 1882, there were 677 inmates, being the full capacity of the Home, with 309 applications on file awaiting the action of the Board. The Trustees, in their report, say they are fully justified, from information, in stating that there are in the State at least 1,000 children entitled to admission, but for whom no applications have been filed because of the known impossibility of their admission for want of room. The State of Ohio expends for her Home over \$100,000 a year, while our State grudgingly allows \$20,000 for the same purpose.

In the State of Illinois there is a "Soldiers' Orphans' Home," in which, in 1882, there were 511 inmates, and the Trustees ask for an enlargement of the appropriation with a view of receiving 350 more. The appropriations for 1882 for this Home were \$46,000. Our law contemplates also a home for widows of soldiers and seamen, but there never has been one inmate of this class, while the poor houses of the State have many of such within their walls. No one could be more deserving than the impoverished and heart broken survivors of our heroic dead.

The acts of 1867 and 1869, establishing the Home, have never been repealed and are in full force. The act of 1879 refers to these acts as providing a Soldiers' Orphans' Home, an institution that has never been named

or provided for in the laws of Indiana, the act being for the establishment of a Soldiers' and Seamen's Home, and for their orphans and widows.

We believe this misdescription of the institution will render the act inoperative, which, in terms, attempts to abolish the office of Trustee of the "Soldiers' Orphans' Home," there being no such office. The act of 1883 uses the same language, and refers to the "Soldiers' Orphans' Home," leaving the office of Trustee of the "Indiana Soldiers' and Seamen's Home" unaffected and still existing, and this being the true condition of the law, the Governor has the right to fill any vacancy that may exist, and the Board of Trustees have the power under the law to take possession and control of this institution. The law also provides a continuing appropriation for the support of the Home, and authorizes the officers of the institution to draw the proper amounts from the Treasury. In addition, in our judgment, the Legislature had no power to divert the trust, or any part thereof, from the purpose for which it was created while there are any beneficiaries contemplated in the grant and the original act in existence. We, therefore, respectfully suggest that it is the duty of the Governor and of the proper officers of the State and of the Home to take early action in the premises, and separate the management of the "Soldiers' and Seamen's Home" from that of the idiots and feeble-minded children of the State, by removing the latter, who are, as we are informed, now intimately associated with each other and fed at the same table.

CHAS. W. BROUSE,  
JOHN L. McMASTER,  
ROBT. E. SMITH,  
JOHN COBURN,

*Committee.*



The following communication, relative to the same subject, was presented and read:

*To the Department Encampment of the State of Indiana:*

Garber Post 72, located at Washington, Daviess county, sends greeting, and asks that this memorial be read and its resolutions be carried out.

**Memorial.**

**The Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home of Indiana.**

This institution has not accomplished in the past all that was intended by those that planted it. It is not doing the work now it could do if it was properly cared for by the State. Many orphan children of our late comrades are left neglected as waifs, or are gathered in the various county infirmaries of the State. They associate freely with the idle and the vicious.

We regard the act of the General Assembly of our State, adding to the Orphans' Home an asylum for feeble minded children, and placing it under the care of the same Board of Trustees, managers and officers, an *insult* to the soldiers and sailors of the Union Army. The two institutions should be separate and distinct. These two classes of children should not mingle together on the same play ground, nor should they occupy the same buildings. There is no reason why they should have been brought together, and none why they should be continued together. As well might the United States government have founded National Insane Asylums in connection with the Soldiers' Homes.



We must care for the orphans of our comrades or no one will care for them.

We believe this Orphans' Home can be made as useful as are similar institutions in other States. These have attained their excellence principally through the care and attention given them by the veterans of the late war. The citizens of our State are not disposed to treat the orphans of our comrades in a parsimonious way. Nor do our citizens approve of the union of the Home with the asylum. We will find the people of our State ready to respond to any reasonable appeal we make, when we plead the justice of our cause and the noble services of the fathers of these now helpless wards of the State.

*Resolved, 1.* We ask the appointment of an able committee from the Encampment, whose duty it shall be, first of all, to secure a complete and an entire separation of these institutions.

*Resolved, 2.* This committee shall secure from the General Assembly an apportionment of money sufficient to meet the wants of the Orphans' Home.

*Resolved, 3.* The committee shall secure such changes in legislation as will enable this institution to receive under its care the orphans of any Indiana soldiers who have died or will die outside the limits of our State. Also the orphans of any citizens of our State who served in the Union Army during the war of the rebellion, whether they belonged to an Indiana regiment or not. Also the children of any of our comrades residing in the State, where either parent is incompetent, on account of vicious or idle habits, for properly caring for their children, or the children are in danger of leading idle and dissolute lives.

*Resolved, 4.* This committee shall visit the Home at such times as the managers are not expecting, and shall thoroughly examine the institution and report the condition of its schools; its morals; its health, and any other items of interest and importance connected with its usefulness.

This committee, as citizens of the State, shall report to the Governor of Indiana any instances of mismanagement, unjust treatment of the children, or improper conduct of the officers and teachers in the Home. The committee shall report to the Encampment as to its faithfulness in the discharge of its duties, and at each annual meeting of the Encampment a committee shall be appointed to look after the interests of the Orphans' Home.

This memorial was unanimously adopted by Garber Post, and our delegate was ordered to carry it to the Department Encampment and labor to have its provisions carried out.

JAMES W. RAMSEY,

*Adjutant Garber Post 72, Department Indiana.*

On motion, the above communications were concurred in by the Encampment and referred to the following committee, with instructions to test the questions therein presented, and that all expenses in connection therewith, for transcripts, etc., be borne by the Department Encampment:

Comrade John Coburn.	Comrade R. S. Robertson.
Comrade J. F. Johnson.	Comrade G. W. Grubbs.
Comrade Benj. Harrison.	Comrade Thomas Hanna.

The special hour having arrived, nominations for Department Commander were declared in order.

Comrade J. L. McMasters nominated Jas. R. Carnahan.

Comrade Jas. C. Veatch nominated J. M. Shackelford.

Comrade W. C. Hobson nominated J. L. Wooden.

Comrade R. Stratton nominated Edwin Nicar.

On motion, the nominations for Department Commander were declared closed.

Comrade Carnahan declared emphatically that he was not a candidate.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

Comrade Carnahan.....	110
Comrade Nicar.....	30
Comrade Wooden.....	18
Comrade Shackelford.....	15

Total number of votes cast, one hundred and seventy-three.

Of which Comrade Carnahan having received a majority, he was declared duly elected as Department Commander for the ensuing year.

On motion of Edwin Nicar, Senior Vice Department Commander, the election of Comrade Carnahan was declared unanimous.

Nominations for Senior Vice Commander being called, the names of Comrade W. H. Armstrong, of



Post 1 and Comrade Edwin Nicar, of Post 8, were placed before the Encampment.

Total number of votes cast, one hundred and sixty-eight; of which

Comrade Nicar received.....	102
Comrade Armstrong.....	66

The former having received a majority, was declared duly elected Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Junior Vice Commander being in order, the following names were placed before the Encampment:

Comrade Paul Hendricks, Post 26.

Comrade Conrad Burley, Post 70 (colored).

Comrade M. D. Manson, Post 7.

Whole number of ballots cast, one hundred and fifty-six; of which

Comrade Burley received.....	60
Comrade Manson.....	51
Comrade Hendricks.....	45

No election.

Comrade Manson withdrew his name as a candidate.

On the second ballot, the whole number of votes cast was one hundred and sixty; of which

Comrade Hendricks received.....	75
Comrade Burley.....	71
Comrade Manson .....	14

No election.

On the third ballot, whole number of votes cast, one hundred and forty-two; of which

Comrade Hendricks received.....107

Comrade Burley..... 35

Comrade Hendricks having received a majority of all ballots cast, was declared duly elected Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Medical Director being in order, the name of Comrade Jas. S. Gregg, Post 40, was placed before the Encampment, and there being no further nominations, the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed to cast one hundred and forty-two ballots for his election, which was done, and he declared duly elected Medical Director of the Department of Indiana, Grand Army of the Republic for the ensuing year.

The same action was ordered in the case of J. M. Whitehead, of Post 90, for the position of Department Chaplain, which instructions were carried out, and he declared duly elected to that position for the ensuing year.

The following nominations were made for Council of Administration, it being ordered by vote of the Encampment that the five receiving the highest number of votes should be declared duly elected :

Comrade W. D. McCullough, Post 2.

Comrade A. D. Lynch, Post 17.

Comrade E. A. Jourgenan, Post 128.

Comrade Harry Dean, Post 90.

Comrade J. G. Kegwin, Post 86.

Comrade J. M. Story, Post 127.

Comrade J. M. Watts, Post 31.

Comrade Clark E. McDaniels, Post 29.

The vote resulted as follows :

Comrade A. D. Lynch.....	98
Comrade J. M. Story.....	78
Comrade W. D. McCullough.....	76
Comrade Harry Dean.....	74
Comrade J. M. Watts.....	70

These five having received the highest number were declared duly elected members of the Council of Administration for the ensuing year.

Nominations for delegates to the National Encampment being in order, Edwin Nicar, Senior Vice Department Commander elect, placed in nomination the name of W. H. Armstrong, Post 1, for delegate at large.

There being no other candidate, the Assistant Adjutant General was ordered, by the Encampment, to cast one hundred and forty-two votes for his election to that position, which was done, and he declared duly elected.

Comrade Thomas Hanna, Post 11, was unanimously elected delegate at large to the National Encampment.

The following names were placed in nomination for delegates to the National Encampment, and by vote of the Department Encampment it was ordered that the five receiving the highest number of votes should be



declared elected as delegates, and the next highest as alternates.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, the canvassing tellers were granted the privilege of reporting the result of the vote at the public installation and camp fire, to be held in the evening.

Nominations:

Comrade M. D. Manson, Post 7.

Comrade C. L. Holstein, Post 17.

Comrade N. C. Welch, Post 114.

Comrade J. P. C. Shanks, Post 154.

Comrade R. S. Robertson, Post 40.

Comrade Ross Hill, Post 7.

Comrade W. K. Mavity, Post 30.

Comrade Jos. P. Iliff, Post 55.

Comrade W. W. McBeth, Post 3.

Comrade F. A. Hawkins, Post 133.

Comrade M. D. Tackett, Post 5.

Comrade Joe Johnston.

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EVENING SESSION.

At the evening meeting, Commander-in-Chief Paul VanDervoort publicly installed Department Commander, Jas. R. Carnahan; Senior Vice Commander, Edwin Nicar; Junior Vice Commander Paul Hendricks, and Assistant Adjutant General, Ben D. House.

The following announcement of votes for delegates to the National Encampment was made, as the result of the ballot cast prior to adjournment, and declaration of election made in accordance with previous action :

Comrade M. D. Manson .....	91	ballots.
Comrade C. L. Holstein .....	69	"
Comrade N. C. Welch.....	48	"
Comrade J. P. C. Shanks.....	44	"
Comrade R. S. Robertson.....	41	"
Comrade Ross Hill.....	40	"
Comrade W. K. Mavity.....	40	"
Comrade Jos. P. Iliff.....	32	"
Comrade W. W. McBeth.....	27	"
Comrade F. A. Hawkins.....	25	"
Comrade M. D. Tackett.....	24	"
Comrade Joe Johnston.....	13	"
Scattering.....	5	"

## ◀UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS▶

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At the evening camp fire, the Park Theater was well filled by comrades and their friends, notwithstanding the inclement weather. The stage was a bower of beauty, being decorated profusely with flowers and tropical plants. A tent was pitched at the rear, before which paced a sentinel, with measured tread, calling forcibly to mind "the long, long, drowsy life in tent."

No set programme had been arranged, but the informality of the proceedings added to their interest, there being neither breaks or waits.

Miss Rena Carnahan recited "Independence Bells" and "We Drank from the same Canteen," in a manner which called forth a storm of well merited applause.

Comrade M. D. Manson was called for, and his reception was such as to show that the old veteran held a large place in the hearts of his comrades. His remarks were brief, but of a character to be appreciated by his audience.



Comrade Jack Kinsell, of Post 40, read a lengthy original poem, entitled "The Rank and File."

The Commander-in-Chief, Paul VanDervort, made a short speech, in which he made it plain that politics had no place in the Grand Army of the Republic, saying that if any men under God's sunlight had a right to their political opinions, unquestioned, it was those who had saved the Nation in its hour of need. He also urged the comrades to give more attention to removing the remains of comrades from potters' fields than the building of monuments. His remarks elicited the marked commendation of his hearers.

Mrs. Lida Hood Talbott recited "Manning the Guns" in such a graphic manner, that those who listened saw the fact and felt the thrill which stirred their blood as the guns thundered to their positions in their days of active campaigning. Being called before the curtain, she responded with "A Pen Picture of General Custer," which brought that knightly cavalier before the eyes of her hearers as he appeared on the march and battlefield.

Comrade J. F. Johnson, of Rockville, stirred up the martial spirit by a short speech, appropriate to the occasion and character of his audience.

Comrade Jack Kinsell sang several army songs in a manner that called forth the enthusiasm of his hearers.

Comrade Will C. David, of Post 17, recited "Corporal Joe" in such a manner as to give his hearers a desire for more, and after repeated calls, he gave them

"Banta Tim," in which he was peculiarly happy in catching the dialect of Tilmon Joy. Not yet satisfied, the audience called until he reappeared and recited that stirring equestrian poem, "Sheridan's Ride," in such a manner as to bring its strong points prominently to the front.

The hour for closing having arrived, General Carnahan, in a few remarks, pronounced a sort of soldiers' benediction, and the Fourth Annual Encampment of the Department of Indiana, Grand Army of the Republic, was over, with the general verdict that it was good to have been there.

# ADDENDUM.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR, DEPART-  
MENT OF INDIANA, G. A. R., FOR THE YEAR  
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1881.



## Report of Inspector.

NAME OF POST.	No. of Post.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING.	IS THE WORK IN THE RITUAL COMMITTED TO MEMORY AND PROPERLY PERFORMED?	ARE THE OFFICERS AND GUARDS PROPERLY UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	ARE THE MEMBERS UNIFORMED AND EQUIPPED?	HOW MANY MUSKETS ARE OWNED BY THE POST?	ARE THE OFFICERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	ARE THE MEMBERS REGULAR IN THEIR ATTENDANCE?	DO THEY EXHIBIT AN INTEREST IN THE POST?	ARE ALL THE RECORDS COM- PLETE AND WELL KEPT?	ARE ORDERS RECEIVED REGU- LARLY AND READ TO THE POST?	ARE THEY DULY OBSERVED?	NUMBER OF ORDERS FROM NA- TIONAL HEADQUARTERS MISS- ING FROM FILES.
Morton.....	1	172	yes	yes	partly	none	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
General Canby.....	2	62	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
LaFayette.....	3	184	yes	yes	uni.	4	part of them	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Covington.....	4	32	no	yes	partly	4	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
"Pap" Thomas.....	5	127	yes	no	no	none	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Wabash*.....	6												not known
McPherson.....	7	52	fairly	no	no	none	fairly	not very	yes	fair	yes	yes	.....
Auten.....	8	124	yes	yes	yes	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Gen'l Steele.....	9	44	partly	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	.....
Capt. Floyd.....	10	22	nearly	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	none

Greencastle.....	11	112	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Sugar Creek†.....	12											
Isam Keith.....	13	17	no	no	no	1	no	no	yes	no	no	none
			No ritual received									
Logansport.....	14	49	no	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	no	none received	
Merchant.....	15	45	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Jeff. C. Davis.....	16	37	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Geo. H. Thomas.....	17	249	yes	no	no	none	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	none
Shelbyville.....	18											
New Waverly.....	19	30	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Ellsworth.....	20	25	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Snoddy Mills  .....	21											
Eugene.....	22											
Gen. Schenk.....	23	23	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	don't know
Abe Lincoln¶.....	24	65	yes	no	no	none	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	
Benton.....	25	57	yes	yes	unifor.	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	
A. E. Bachman.....	26	63	no	no	no	none	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	none
Farragut.....	27	82	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	5, 6 and 7
Archer?.....	28											
Aaron Hobson.....	29	19	no	no	no	none	yes	yes	fairly	yes	yes	none
Thos. J. Harrison.....	30	75	no	no	no	none	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	
Boothroyd.....	31	62	yes	yes	unifor.	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Garfield.....	32	83	yes				yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Bluffton.....	33	28		no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Gen. Lyons.....	34	32	yes				yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Robt. J. Templeton.....	35	35	yes		no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	
McKeelan.....	36	40	yes	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Elmer.....	37	66	partly				yes	yes	no	yes	yes	none

## Report of Inspector—Continued.

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Sedgewick.....	38	33	partly	no	no	none	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
West Point.....	39	31	fairly	no	no	none	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	none
Sion S. Bass.....	40	14	no	no	no	none	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	none

\*Dropped at last Department Encampment.

†Have had no meeting for over six months; no reports made nor dues paid; organization entirely gone.

‡No reports received. Assistant Adjutant General reports no returns since he has been in office.

||Have furnished blanks and written twice to Assistant Inspector Murphy for report, but failed to get one.

¶“In good standing.” Taken from Adjutant's returns; Assistant Inspector Foote having failed to report.

?Have written to Commander twice, without securing reply. Assistant Inspector Warren reports that Post has not met for six months.



## Report of Inspector.

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Morton .....	1	none	yes	\$2.00	\$0.50	when need	as required	yes	\$1.40	yes	\$46.80	excellent
General Canby .....	2	none	yes	1.00	.10	no	.....	no	.....	.....	40.00	good
LaFayette .....	3	none	yes	3.00	.10	no	.....	no	.....	.....	24.90	excellent
Covington .....	4	none	yes	1.00	.10	yes	as required	yes	.60	yes	13.16	fair
"Pap" Thomas .....	5	none	yes	1.00	.25	no	none	none	.....	.....	39.23	good
Walash .....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
McPherson .....	7	not known	yes	2.00	.50	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair
Auten .....	8	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	yes	12.93	yes	35.00	excellent
Gen'l Steele .....	9	none	yes	1.00	.10	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	fair
Capt. Floyd .....	10	none	yes	1.00	.10	no	.....	no	.....	.....	11.00	good

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Greencastle .....	11	none	no	\$1.00	\$0.08	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
Sugar Creek.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	fair
Isham Keith .....	13	none	yes	1.00	.15	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
Logansport.....	14	none received	yes	1.00	.50	yes	as needed	no	.....	.....	52.25	good
Merchant .....	15	none	yes	2.50	.10	no	.....	no	no	.....	.....	good
Jeff. C. Davis.....	16	none	yes	1.00	.13	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good
Geo. H. Thomas.....	17	none	yes	2.00	.50	yes	as needed	yes	\$325.00	yes	50.00	excellent
Shelbyville.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Waverly .....	19	none	no	1.00	.50	no	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	good

Ellsworth .....	20	yes	1.00	no	no	no	2.65	good
Snoddy Mills   .....	21	yes	1.00	no	no	no	.....	good
Eugene .....	22	yes	1.00	no	no	no	.....	fair
Gen. Schenk .....	23	yes	1.00	no	no	no	.....	.....
Abe Lincoln¶ .....	24	yes	1.50	yes	not known	no	6.75	good
Benton .....	25	yes	2.50	.75	no	no	.....	good
A. E. Bachman .....	26	yes	1.00	.10	no	no	.....	good
Farragut .....	27	yes	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Archer? .....	28	yes	1.00	.10	no	no	.....	fair
Aaron Hobson .....	29	yes	2.00	.40	no	yes	15.00	good
Thos. J. Harrison .....	30	yes	2.00	.10	no	no	.....	excellent
Boothroyd .....	31	yes	2.00	.10	no	no	.....	good
Garfield .....	32	yes	2.00	.....	no	no	.....	fair
Bluffton .....	33	yes	2.00	.....	no	no	1.75	fair
Gen. Lyons .....	34	yes	1.25	.10	.....	no	.....	good
Robt J. Templeton .....	35	yes	1.00	.....	no	no	.....	fair
McKeenan .....	36	yes	2.00	.50	.....	no	.....	good
Elmer .....	37	no	2.00	.50	.....	no	.....	good
Sedgewick .....	38	yes	1.00	.10	.....	no	.....	good
West Point .....	39	yes	3.00	.50	.....	no	.....	good
Sion S. Bass .....	40	yes	3.00	.50	.....	no	.....	fair

\*Dropped at last Department Encampment.

†Have had no meeting for over six months; no reports made nor dues paid; organization entirely gone.

‡No reports received. Assistant Adjutant General reports no returns since he has been in office.

§Have furnished blanks and written twice to Assistant Inspector Murphy for report, but failed to get one.

¶“In good standing.” Taken from Adjutant's returns; Assistant Inspector Foote having failed to report.

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